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LARGE AGAINST RAILROADS.

Violations of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law by Companies Entering Chicago.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 2.—Eight specific charges each pointed out as a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, are against the 26 leading railroads entering Chicago in a bill prepared by the Chicago Coal Shippers' Association, filed in the United States court.

The action is an attempt by the coal shippers to put the Chicago Coal Association out of business, on the ground that it is an illegal combination. Its members are said to be accused of the payment of a uniform system of freight charges on cars which to the freight rates. The bill to be filed is a petition for injunction against the railroads, restraining them from continuing their membership in the association, and from combining to form similar organizations. The association alleged to be in restraint of trade.

GIVES UP FORTUNE.

Over Doctor Does Not Want Money He Has Not Earned.

(Associated Press.)

Denver, Col., April 2.—Dr. Wm. A. Brown, of this city, has renounced all claim to a fortune of \$1,000,000 left by his father's brother-in-law, Dr. J. M. Lewis, of Portland, Maine, sole right to the money. Dr. Brown has as his reason for refusing the-

ture that he wishes to have nothing he does not earn by his own efforts.

WHEELING ASSOCIATION.

Revival of Amateur Racing—H. C. Clarke, of Vancouver, Elected President.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, April 2.—The annual meeting of the C. W. A. was held yesterday. The annual report showed no increase in membership, but the financial statement showed receipts of \$748, with a balance on hand of \$570.64. Regret was expressed that the Dominion meet at Vancouver hadn't come up to the expectations of the promoters. Taken altogether, district reports, however, showed a revival of pure honest amateur racing, with professionalism a dead letter. It was decided to change the date of the annual meeting from Good Friday to the following Saturday. The disposition of the Dominion Day meet was left to the incoming executive, who will probably choose Toronto. Officers elected were: President, H. C. Clarke, Vancouver; vice-president, J. A. Winslow, Woodstock, N.B.; secretary-treasurer, H. B. Howson, Toronto; counsel for district No. 1, C. A. Robt, Vancouver.

LOVER'S SUICIDE.

Ended His Life Because Parents Object to Marriage.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, April 2.—The Naples correspondent of the Journal says that Duke Di Casano, the third son of the Duke Di Casano, committed suicide by shooting to-day because of the objection of his parents to his marriage with a girl of a distinguished family.

TORPEDO BOATS FOR THE RUSSIANS

WILL BE SENT BY
RAIL TO PORT ARTHUR

The Japanese Navy Department Has No Information Regarding Reports of Further Fighting.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, April 1.—The navy department has no information regarding the reported Japanese attack on Port Arthur of March 30th and 31st, and the officials doubt that a general attack occurred.

It was added that it was possible that a few Japanese cruisers are in the vicinity of Port Arthur, and that there may have been an exchange of shots with the Russians, but it is certain that the main Japanese fleet was not engaged at the time referred to.

It is said that the Russian forces in the engagement near Kasan on March 27th numbered 500 Cossacks, and that the forces of the Japanese consisted of about 1,000 and 1,200 cavalry.

AT PORT ARTHUR.

All Quiet—Japanese Killed in Last Attack Buried With Military Honors.

Port Arthur, April 2.—All is quiet here, and there is no change in the situation. The weather is warmer, and the sick and wounded are making good progress towards recovery.

The Japanese, who were killed in the last attack upon this place, were buried this morning in the Chinese cemetery outside the town with military honors. It is hoped it will be possible to raise the Japanese fireships which were sunk in the attempt to block the harbor.

NEW TORPEDO BOATS.

Eighteen Will Be Sent by Rail to Port Arthur.

Paris, April 2.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that in accordance with a desire of Vice-Admiral Makarov, the Nerak yards are sending to Port Arthur, by rail, 18 torpedo boats of the cyclone type, capable of making 30 knots an hour.

The same correspondent says Minister Plevie went out yesterday for the first time after a two weeks' illness.

WILL USE KITES.

How Russian Lieutenant Will Watch Movements of the Japanese Warships.

Paris, April 2.—A dispatch from Harbin says that Lieut. Shrober is bound for Port Arthur with an apparatus, consisting of a car suspended from several kites, which will enable him to fly above the warships, to the base of which he will be attached by a light cable containing a telegraph wire. By means of this apparatus he will be enabled to take observations at a great distance and to convey the information to the ship.

CLOSING CUSTOMS HOUSE.

Number of Officers Are Being Removed From Vladivostok.

Vladivostok, April 1.—Twelve of the customs officers at Vladivostok have been withdrawn and sent to Irkutsk. This is the first step in the direction of closing the customs house here on account of poor trade prospects. Owing to the war, it is expected here that Vladivostok will be declared a free port after the conclusion of the war.

BUSY EMPRESS.

Hard at Work Preparing Red Cross Society For Duty During the War.

New York, April 2.—The serious manner in which the Empress regards her duties in preparing the Red Cross Society of Russia for the war, says a dispatch from St. Petersburg, has been illustrated recently. When Princess Dashkoff was asked to join the court ladies' sewing club she consented, but remarked that she would prefer to hire 20 seamstresses who would do more work than all the Czarina's 2,000 aristocrats. This remark was told to the Czarina, who forthwith put the Princess on the black list. The incident created a sensation, as the Princess belongs to the higher Russian nobility. The Czar is trying, though ineffectually, to get her to divert her mind from the subject.

SEALING STEAMERS.

The Grand Lake Brings News of Catches From Ice Fields.

(Associated Press.)

St. Johns, Nfld., April 2.—The steamer Grand Lake, which has returned from the ice fields, reports that the sealing steamers have captured 250,000 seals, which will be increased to 300,000 during the present month.

MOTION REJECTED.

Toronto, April 2.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Lacrosse Association yesterday a motion to permit professionals and amateurs to play together, was rejected by 86 to 51.

THIBETAN GENERAL KILLED IN FIGHT

HIS PERSONAL ESCORT
ALSO AMONG SLAIN

Natives Advanced in Face of Heavy Fire Until They Fell Riddled With Bullets.

(Associated Press.)

Tuna, Thibet, April 2.—The Thibetan general, the whole of his personal escort and five high officials, were among the hundreds killed in the fighting of March 31st at Guraf, Thibet.

The small British losses are accounted for by the fact that the Thibetans were so huddled together that the majority were unable either to use their swords or to fire. The swordsmen in the front rank could not reach the Sikhs, who had fixed bayonets, while men in the middle of the mob could not reach the enemy, but many of them probably killed each other in the mad excitement.

The score of the fighting in the Guraf was a determined and desperate struggle. The Thibetans were lighted with devilish savagery, expressing contempt for the Sikhs, whom they outnumbered six to one.

When the Hassa general fired the first shot, the Thibetans, with wild shouts, dropped their swords and fired their matchlocks and surged forward in all directions.

About a dozen swordsmen made a desperate rush in the direction of Colonel Macdonald and a small knot of officers. Four Thibetans attacked Mr. Chandler, the correspondent of the London Daily Mail, but Colonel Macdonald seized a rifle and shot down two, thus saving his life.

Those of the Thibetans who tried to climb the wall were met with a terrible fire, but they did not falter, those behind springing over the heads of dead, and continued the fight until riddled with bullets.

A mountain battery was brought into action, and tore the retreating lines with shrapnel. A terrible trail of dead and dying marked the line of march. At length the last wounded limping Thibetan turned the corner some four hundred yards from the scene of the grim tragedy, where the best of the Thibetans had perished.

CLAIMS OF SEALERS.

Particulars of Work of Commissioners Is Withheld Until Russia Confirms the Awards.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 2.—Word has been received from London that the Canadian and Russian commissioners, appointed to adjust the damage due to Canadian sealers for unwarranted seizure at the hands of Russian craft, have agreed upon the figure so far as one class of claims is concerned. Before the award is final, however, it must be confirmed by the Russian government, and till this is done particulars are withheld. The commissioners are now working on the remaining claims.

KILLED THE MESSENGER.

Murder and Robbery By Three Bandits Who Escaped With Booty.

Sacramento, Cal., March 31.—Just before 11 o'clock the south-bound train reached Copley, near Keswick, three men jumped the train and soon cut the train in two, taking the engine and express car down the track a short distance. They stopped the engine and demanded that Messenger O'Neill open the express car. He refused, whereupon they blew up the express car with dynamite and deliberately killed O'Neill by shooting him through the head. The bandits then robbed the express car of its contents, but it is not known how much they got.

After robbing the express car the men cut the car loose and, getting on the engine, compelled Engineer Joesink to go ahead. When near Keswick the men dropped off the engine and disappeared in the night with their plunder.

Reward Offered.

San Francisco, April 2.—As a reward for the capture of the train bandits, the Southern Pacific, Wells Fargo and the state offer \$500. It is believed the robbers live near the scene of the hold-up, and that a clue to their identity has been obtained.

THE CORONATION MASS.

C. A. E. Harriss Receives the Thanks of the King and Queen.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, April 2.—Charles A. E. Harriss, director of the McGill University Conservatory of Music, has had the honor to receive, through His Excellency the Governor-General, the thanks of the King and Queen for presentation copies of his Coronation Mass, Edward VII, which their Majesties have been graciously pleased to accept.

BILLIARD MATCH.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, April 2.—Jacob Schaefer, the American billiardist, and Louis Cure, have disputed stakes for a match at 3,000 points, 18-inch billiard line, two shots to be played in Paris the last week in May.



AT THE SPRING MANOEUVRES--THE FORCE OF HABIT.

Private—Beg your pardon, Major, Cos 5 and 6 are signalling "magazines exhausted." Major J. P. H—n. (absent-mindedly).—Strands of Cosmopolitans?

THE BATTLE OF MOUNT TORMIE

STRONGHOLD CAPTURED
BY ATTACKING FORCE

A "Coup" Which Rendered Unnecessary
the Working Out of Captain
Langley's Main Plan.

Undoubtedly the feature of yesterday's sham battle between the first four and last two companies of the Fifth Regiment was the clever capture of the commander of the defending force, Capt. Drake, and one of his staff, Lieut. McTavish, by Sgt.-Major Calhoun and a section of No. 1 Company. The coup was made just before the bugle sounded "cease firing," and was witnessed by a large crowd of amused spectators.

It would be hard to explain just how this brilliant manoeuvre on the part of the attackers was executed. As far as can be gathered, however, the decisive move was made possible by the fact that the defenders had been called from the rear to repulse a determined attack from the front and left flank. Sgt. Calhoun and five or six men took advantage of the opportunity and climbing stealthily up the unguarded part of the hill had surrounded Capt. Drake and his aide, Lieut. McTavish, who were busy supervising the operation of their forces, before they were aware of the presence of the enemy.

With their commander captured, besides being subjected to a withering fire both from the front and rear the defending force must have been annihilated had it been actual warfare. Seeing that the position was no longer tenable, Lieut. Col. Hall, who was acting as umpire, ordered the "cease firing" to be sounded so that the men might be refreshed after their two hours' arduous fighting.

Generally speaking the "outing" was an unqualified success. The weather was all that could be desired, the heat of the sun being tempered by a cool breeze from the Straits, and there was a fairly good turnout. Numbers 1, 2 and 4 companies were exceptionally well represented, but the ranks of 3, 5 and 6 companies were noticeably thin. No better spot could have been selected for a sham fight. From the top of Mount Tormie facing the sea can be seen a stretch of country which could not be excelled for skirmishing purposes. Dotted all the way from the Straits, between which is a thick growth of scrub oak, both the defending and attacking forces were provided with an admirable cover for the concealment of their manoeuvres.

There was a large attendance of interested spectators. Tormie mountain and many neighboring points of vantage being crowded long before the battle commenced. Almost everybody had come prepared to spend the day, and about noon baskets made their appearance, shady spots being selected for mid-day meals.

As was outlined in the programme published in these columns on Thursday the regiment assembled at the drill hall in the morning at about 9.30 o'clock. Shortly after this time Nos. 5 and 6 companies in command of Capt. Drake left to take up the positions necessary for the defence of Mount Tormie, and half an hour later the attacking force, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 companies, in charge of Capt. Langley, started out for the battle field.

Reaching the city limits the latter force marched down past the exhibition buildings, and approached the base of Mount Tormie in skirmishing order through the thick brush with the intention of making the attack from the front

and right and left sides of the hill. The advance was necessarily slow as the object was to get as close to the main position as possible without being discovered by the outposts of the defending force. In this the attackers were successful to a certain extent, reaching a point about three hundred yards from the mountain before being located.

The first engagement of any importance took place between a section of No. 3 company (on the attack) and a number of men in charge of Sgt. Lorimer of No. 4 company. These forces came together directly in front of Tormie mountain, and there was some brisk firing on both sides. The defenders were, however, finally driven from their position, and shortly after the engagement became general all along the line. In spite of the heavy fire of the defenders the advance was made steadily, and it wasn't long before the defending force had been driven to the base of the hill.

Although Capt. Drake had comparatively few men it was generally acknowledged that he held a remarkably strong position, and that the hill could not be captured unless some strategy was used in the attack. The defenders were extended all along the front and left and right sides of the hill, and protected by high rocks were in a position to repel a general attack without much difficulty.

Capt. Langley was aware of this, and had carefully prepared a plan which, it was thought, would serve to repulse the defenders with little loss to the attacking force. A small detachment in charge of Sgt. Harris was commissioned to make a feint attack on the left flank, firing in volleys and making as much noise as possible. These were supported by a portion of No. 3 company. This it was calculated, would attract the attention of the defenders to the left flank, and allow the main body, Nos. 1 and 2 companies and parts of Nos. 3 and 4, to gain the position without much opposition.

As it happened, however, this elaborate plan was entirely unnecessary. Besides the main attack was delivered Sgt. Calhoun, with a few men from No. 1 company, had discovered the rear of the hill unguarded and had reached the stronghold and captured the commander of the defending force, Capt. Drake, without being challenged.

At the time Sgt. Calhoun reached the summit of the hill most of the defending force was busy repelling the feint attack of Sgt. Harris and a portion of No. 3 company on the left, and they were therefore between cross-fires and in danger of extermination. Col. Hall taking in the position at a glance ordered the "cease firing" to be sounded. All the regiment with the exception of Nos. 3 and 4 companies and a portion of No. 2 then adjourned to lunch, the reinforcements provided by the quarter-master being thoroughly appreciated. While thus enjoying themselves there was some speculation as to what had become of the missing companies and how the men would express themselves when they returned and found "the larger force."

A couple of hours later the remainder of the regiment filed into camp, and their consternation when it was found all the deficiencies had vanished may be more easily imagined than described. It appears that their delay was owing to a misunderstanding between Colonel Hall and Capt. Langley. Before leaving the drill hall in the morning the former explained that the call "cease firing" would be the signal for both the defending and attacking forces to come to lunch, Capt. Langley apparently did not hear this, and when the bugle sounded the call mentioned he gave orders to the companies to remain where they were until the "assembly" call was sounded.

After lunch another attack was made on Mount Tormie by Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 companies. On this occasion the defence was well conducted, and the attacking force were unable to capture any point of vantage without coming in contact with the enemy. Despite this, however, they displayed remarkable valor storming the position with very little regard for the heavy fire to which they were subjected. When the attacking party reached a point about thirty yards from

the summit the "cease fire" was sounded.

Col. Hall is pleased at the manner the opposing forces were handled, but expresses the opinion that if actual warfare was being engaged in there would have been a great deal of work for the hospital corps.

The march from Mount Tormie to the drill hall commenced about 4 o'clock, and the regiment was dismissed an hour later, after a brief commendatory address and been delivered by the commanding officer.

Appended is the parade roster:

No. 1 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 25. Total, 28. No. 2 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 23. Total, 26. No. 3 company: Officers, 2; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 12. Total, 16. No. 4 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 18. Total, 21. No. 5 company: Officers, 2; sergeants, 3; rank and file, 14. Total, 19. No. 6 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 14. Total, 17. Commanding officer and staff: Officers, 4; warrant officers, 1; sergeants, 3. Total, 8. Bugle band, 7. Band: Warrant officers, 1; sergeants, 1; rank and file, 12. Total, 14.

Officers, 12; warrant officers, 2; sergeants, 17; rank and file, 125. Total, 156.

Notes.

Col. English, in command of the Work Point garrison, witnessed the manoeuvres. He says that there could be no better piece of country for skirmishing than that in the vicinity of Mount Tormie.

A number of prisoners were captured on both sides. Corporal Scott is reported to have surrounded a small detachment of the attacking force, who, although completely overwhelmed, refused to surrender.

Major Hibben viewed the manoeuvres as a critic. He rode a white "charger," and could be plainly seen from the top of Mount Tormie, as he watched the progress of the battle half a mile away.

Most of the defending force were supplied with large bombs, and their retreat was marked by a series of terrific explosions, which made the fight much more realistic than would otherwise have been the case.

It is said that if the defending force had been supplied with field guns they would have been able to annihilate the attacking party.

During the progress of a discussion among the officers last evening at the drill hall one of the defending force reported that he had seen Sgt. Calhoun and his party climbing the rear of the hill, and had undoubtedly "killed" them. If this is so, it means that Capt. Drake and Lieut. McTavish should not have been captured, and the fight should have continued until the main attack took place.

PIONEER DEAD.

William R. Dick, Former Member of Manitoba Legislature, Passes Away at Winnipeg.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, April 2.—William Robert Dick, a pioneer lumber merchant, is dead, aged 83. He was born in Kingston, and was a resident of Fenelon, Victoria county, Ont., a number of years. In 1871 he came to Winnipeg and engaged in lumbering, acquiring great wealth before retiring several years ago. He was a member of the Manitoba legislature in 1874, representing Springfield. He leaves the following sons and daughters: Geo. Dick, Calgary; Geo. Dick, Winnipeg; Frank Dick, Sherbrooke, B.C.; Mrs. Ellis, Fenelon Falls, Ont.; Mrs. W. W. Manning and Mrs. Dick, Winnipeg.

FIREMEN INJURED.

Outbreak at Montreal Did Damage to the Extent of \$75,000.

Montreal, April 2.—Fire yesterday did damage to the extent of \$75,000 to the premises occupied by Watson, Jack & Co. telegraph and telephone cables, Atlas Shirt Co., Imperial Neckwear Co., and Gault Bros., St. Helen street. Two firemen were injured by falling glass.



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SKIRMISHES IN NORTHERN KOREA

MANY JAPS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED

The Sinking of a Defenceless Japanese Coasting Steamer by Russian Warships.

London, April 1.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Seoul reports that there is continuous skirmishing between Ping Yang and Wiju, and that many Japanese have been killed. The correspondent adds that a Korean spy at Ping Yang has been shot by the Japanese.

The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the military authorities have required Brig-General H. Allen, United States military observer with the Japanese army, to return to Seoul from Ping Yang, until they are able to provide him with fitting accommodations.

The Chemulpo Incident.
St. Petersburg, March 31.—A correspondent of the Russ. who has just returned from Korea, writes that the commander of the United States steamship Vicksburg did not join in the protest of the other commanders at the Japanese entering port to engage the Varyag and Korietz and later, after the fight, when the Vicksburg was a surgeon, his services were refused. The correspondent is very bitter. He adds that he saw American denials of the incident when he arrived at port, and said that they are not convincing. He continued: "I saw the report of one of the captains to his government, in which the action of the American captain was set forth clearly and categorically in its true colors."

In official circles the action of some newspapers here in attempting to revive hostile feelings against the United States on account of the Vicksburg incident is sincerely deprecated. The Associated Press is authorized to announce that the government has nothing to criticize in the action of Commander Marshall. Moreover, it does not sympathize with the Novoe Vremya's editorial of yesterday pointing to the United States as the real commercial and political foe of Great Britain and Russia.

Sinking of Steamer.
Tokio, March 31.—The action of the Russian warships in sinking the Japanese coasting steamer Hanyei Maru Saturday is deeply resented by the Japanese. In official circles the attack upon and sinking of this vessel near Tachin Island is pronounced to be a clear violation of the neutrality of China, besides being an act of wantonness against a defenceless craft. The Hanyei Maru was an old steamer and had been chartered by some correspondents of a Japanese newspaper. After transferring ten Japanese and seven Chinese from the Hanyei Maru, the fire of two vessels was directed upon the steamer, and one of the Russian torpedo boats destroyed several shells through her hull. When she appeared to be sinking, the Russian ships started at full speed in the direction of Port Arthur. Three of the crew of the Hanyei Maru concealed themselves on board when the Russians came over to remove them, and later escaped in a junk from the sinking vessel. The Japanese generally pronounce this affair to be a barbarous breach of law.

CLOSING IOWA MINES.

More Than Thirteen Thousand Men May Be Thrown Out of Employment.

Des Moines, Ia., March 31.—Unable to agree to an arbitration of their differences the Iowa miners and operators split in joint conference, with the result that every mine in the state will be shut down, throwing 13,500 miners out of employment. The conference adjourned after a session covering six weeks. The split resulted in a refusal of the operators to raise the wages of unskilled laborers and to lower the price of blasting powder.

Summed up, the situation is: First, the miners demand a reduction in the price of blasting powder from \$2 to \$1.75 per can. They demand a uniform advance in the scale of wages paid the men and drivers, that districts 1 and 4 shall receive the same scale as districts 2 and 3.

John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, has been asked to come to Des Moines and aid in a readjustment of the difficulties. It is believed the lockout may be the beginning of a long and hard struggle.

PAINTERS' WAGES.

Agreement Reached at Winnipeg Where a Sliding Scale Has Been Adopted.
Winnipeg, March 31.—At a meeting held last night between the bosses and representatives from the Painters' Union, a thorough understanding was arrived at and wages fixed for the year ending May 1st, 1905. A sliding scale was decided upon, ranging between 25 and 35 cents per hour.

CANADIAN NOTES.

Col. Otter's Condition—Increase in Business of Nova Scotia Steel Co.

Winnipeg, Man., March 31.—The Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending March 31st, 1904, were \$3,446,750; corresponding week 1903, \$3,620,070; same week 1902, \$2,600,902.

Lieut.-Colonel Otter.

Toronto, March 31.—Lieut.-Col. Otter, was conscious all day yesterday, and his physicians are still hopeful for his recovery.

Ask Increase.

The city job printers want \$15 a week and an eight-hour day instead of \$13.25 a week and nine hours a day. A conference will be held with the representatives of the Typographical Union and owners of job shops on Monday to arrange a scale, which will take effect on June 1st.

Toronto Lacrosse Team.

President Curry, of the Toronto Lacrosse Club, states that not a single man of last year's team will figure on this year's twelve. If the club have any team at all it would be made up of junior players.

Horses Suffocated.

Fifteen horses were suffocated in a fire which broke out at the Dominion livery and boarding stables, York street, early this morning. About thirty animals were in the building at the time. Several were led out by firemen badly burned. The loss is about \$8,000.

Settled.

Three Bay, March 31.—A threatened strike at No. 2 Dominion collieries, which gave promise of involving all the miners in the employ of the Dominion Coal Company, has been avoided by the request of the miners being acceded to and the dismissed firemen reinstated.

Drowned.

Chatham, March 31.—"Hans" Cummings, a young Englishman, only out from the Old Country a short time, was drowned while gathering driftwood at Kent bridge yesterday.

Prosperous Year.

Halifax, March 31.—The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Steel Company was held at New Glasgow yesterday. Reports for 1903 showed that the company had had the best year in its history, the volume of business being over \$200,000 in excess of that of 1902. The profits for the year were \$850,397.19, and balance brought forward from 1902 was \$433,149.42, making a total profit of \$1,313,546.62.

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PANAMA CANAL.

Company Now in Position to Transfer Concessions to the United States.

Paris, March 31.—The first civil tribune of the Seine to-day decided—decided against the Republic of Colombia against the Panama Canal Company, in favor of the defendants. The decision holds that the complaint of Colombia is not receivable, and condemns the plaintiffs to pay the company the costs of the action.

This decision has the effect of removing the legal obstacles in the way of the transfer of the canal concession from the company to the United States.

Sewing as a business is an exacting and exhausting occupation. Long hours, fine work, poor light, unhealthy atmosphere—these are only some of the things which fret the nerves and hurt the general health. Often there is a diseased condition of the womanly organism which causes backache or headache and the working of the sewing machine under such conditions is akin to torture.

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TWO ENGAGEMENTS WITH THIBETANS

NATIVES REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES

The Attack on Colonel Younghusband's Force—A Village Captured by Mounted Bayonet Charge.

Tuna, British India, March 31.—News has been received here of severe fighting, the Thibetans having attacked the British mission under Col. Younghusband. There were two engagements, and the Thibetans were repulsed with heavy loss. The British captured the Thibetan camp at Guru.

While the British advance had practically been unopposed, the expedition suffered great hardship from the intense cold, and it was sometimes found impossible to work the Maxim guns and rifles, owing to the congealing of the oil. The country was of the bleakest, without a sign of vegetation, and the expedition had to face piercing winds and clouds of dust, while there was a heavy fall of snow last night.

At 8 o'clock this morning a flying column started to reconnoitre the Thibetan camp at Guru, whereupon a general from Lhasa, with a quaint retinue, came to interview Col. Younghusband. The general asked the colonel to retire with his mission to Yatang for the purpose of carrying on negotiations, threatening an attack if the mission proceeded. Col. Younghusband replied that negotiations had been proceeding fruitlessly for 15 years, and that retirement was now impossible.

The Thibetan general withdrew, and Col. Younghusband ordered his troops to endeavor to disperse the Thibetans, blocking the road without firing upon them.

For a time the tactics of the British were successful, but after a while the attitude of the Thibetan leaders convinced Col. MacDonald of the necessity of disarming them. The Thibetans numbered about 1,500, and their resistance of the efforts to disarm them led to a smart engagement.

The situation for a few moments was critical. Col. MacDonald and Col. Younghusband being only a few yards from the advancing Thibetans. Revolvers and bayonets were used, and then a rifle fire was resorted to, at which the Thibetans fled, but not before several casualties resulted in the British ranks.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail with the mission was severely wounded. The Thibetans lost heavily, owing to the inferiority of their weapons, which were matchlock rifles, but they displayed the greatest courage, many of them coming on even after they had been seriously wounded. After the action there were heaps of dead, a long trail of dead and wounded extending to the rear.

After a short halt the advance continued. Nearing the Thibetan camp at Guru a second action took place, in which the artillery played the largest part. Finally the Thibetans retreated over the hills, with the exception of about 60, who obstinately held the village, which was finally taken by a mounted bayonet charge.

Among the Thibetans killed were the Lhasa general, the military commandant of Phari and Lata, and the representative of the Golden monastery, to whose influence and violent hostility the existing difficulties were largely due.

The Thibetan losses are believed to be over 400, while the British casualties were about a dozen.

The British force returned to Tuna this evening and stated that rifles bearing the Russian Imperial stamp and Russian ammunition were found on the wounded Thibetan officers.

GAZETTE NOTICES.

The Appointments Made By the Government and Other Official Information Given.

This week's Gazette contains notice of the appointment of the following: To be notaries public in and for the province of British Columbia: Henry Mayott Johnson, Victoria, solicitor; Geo. Robertson Gordon, of Vancouver; Jos. Page, of Galiano Island, J. P.

James S. Johnston and Andrew Green, of Wilmer, to be commissioners for taking affidavits for the purpose of acting under the "Provincial Elections Act," for the Columbia electoral district, during the year 1904.

The commissions issued by Messrs. Wm. Flood, of Hope, and John Lyons, of North Bend, as justices of the peace, have been revoked.

All that portion of the province, not included within any municipality, except the Kamloops, Okanagan, Similkameen, Greenwood and Grand Forks electoral districts, shall be defined as an unorganized district within the meaning of the "Game Protection Act, 1898."

Tenders are invited for the erection of a one-room frame school house at Crofton.

Tenders are also invited for erecting a similar school at Delta.

A Co-operative Creamery Association has been organized and approved of under the Farmers' Institutes and Co-operative Act, 1897, to be known as the Surrey Co-operative Creamery Association.

Notice is given of the incorporation of the following companies: The Vancouver County Orange Hall Company, with a capital of \$40,000. The Rose Gulch Hydraulic Mining Company, with a capital of \$50,000, to work the placer mines, and coal and petroleum mines held by John McRae, of Quesnel Forks.

SUSPENDS OPERATIONS.

Northport Smelter Shut Down—Unbusiness Among the Business Men.

Northport, March 31.—The Northport Smelting and Refining Company, whose smelter at this place handles all the Le Roi ores from Rossland, B. C., has closed out its six furnaces and suspended all regular work. Manager Wilson declined to give reasons for the close of the works. Some new order of things is near as indicated by the nailing up of the coke bunkers, the painting of exposed parts, machinery, etc., and other preparations for an extended suspension. The men have all been laid off, a considerable number of whom have received their time.

Northport would seriously feel the effects of a prolonged shut down of the smelter. Business men are worried and several deals for Northport realty are held up pending definite information concerning the plans of the smelting company.

In the absence of definite information business in Northport is practically at a standstill. The ore trains from the Le Roi at Rossland have been laid off and it is said the mine will close until the smelter can again treat its ore.

A rumor seemingly from official sources this morning is that the smelter's treatment of the Le Roi ores has not been satisfactory owing to lack of fuel of the right kind, and that Manager Wilson has suggested the overhauling of the smelter furnaces and the installing of an up-to-date sampler to meet the demand of custom ores that contain the fluxing properties needed by the Le Roi ores.

BRITAIN'S FINANCES.

Revenues For Year Show Decrease—London Press Comments.

London, March 31.—The revenues for the year ending March 31st show a net decrease of \$49,909,406 as compared with last year's. The total revenue for the year was \$756,063,405. This includes \$48,334,600 paid to local taxation accounts, leaving a total paid to the exchequer of \$707,727,805. The estimate of the former chancellor of the exchequer, C. T. Ritchie, for the year, was \$721,850,000, but the local taxation was not included. The deficit by Chancellor Ritchie's estimate, therefore, is \$13,622,105.

Comments.

London, April 1.—Commenting on the decrease in the revenue for the year as shown by the returns issued yesterday this morning's papers estimate that the budget deficit will approach \$35,000,000, the repayment of \$15,000,000 advanced to the Transvaal will leave \$20,000,000 to be met by some form of increased taxation.

Looking to the unchecked growth of the country's expenditure, Austin Chamberlain, the chancellor of the exchequer, is urged by this morning's editorials to endeavor to find some means for a permanent increase of the revenue without having recourse to temporary expedients such as the suspension of the sinking fund or increase in the income tax.

Faded Women Need Richer Blood.

It Stamps the Glow of Robust Health on Cheeks and Lips—How Blood Is Made Rich and Red Enough to Beautify the Complexion.

A bright rosy complexion can easily be acquired. All that is necessary is to purify the blood and supply it with an increased number of red corpuscles. The simplest method of doing this is to introduce more iron into the system which is always lacking where the complexion is pallid or sallow.

Iron in a concentrated form, specially adapted for internal use, is contained in its most efficient state in Ferrozene which is noted for its marvelous blood building properties. No matter how weak or poor the blood may be, Ferrozene will enrich and nourish it. The immediate result is a better color which will improve steadily under Ferrozene.

Every girl that takes pride in her complexion will find Ferrozene of greater value than cosmetics or face powders. Its influence is lasting whereas artificial beautifiers are but a temporary aid. Thousands that have used Ferrozene are glad to endorse it strongly because it certainly is the best remedy for pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and poor complexion that money can buy.

Miss Minnie E. Stirling of Lancaster, writes, "I can recommend Ferrozene to everyone who needs something to clear up their complexion. Before using Ferrozene my skin was sallow and had a very unhealthy color. After the first box of Ferrozene there was a great improvement and when I had used three boxes I felt much better and had a satisfactory color in my cheeks."

Mrs. C. T. Kenwick, of Brantford, says, "My daughter was greatly benefited by using Ferrozene. She used to have a sickly color and never looked as if she was very strong. After using two boxes of Ferrozene she felt better and her color was wonderfully improved. This encouraged her to continue Ferrozene and in a few weeks she looked like a different person and had a clear rosy complexion. Ferrozene accomplished wonders for my daughter."

Ferozone is just what most girls and women need. It builds up their system, improves their looks, and makes them feel what buoyant good health really means. Price, 50c. per box or six boxes for \$2.50 at all druggists. Beware of cheap fakes, and get Ferrozene when you ask for it. Mailed to your address by N. C. Polson & Co., Hartford, Conn., U. S. A., and Kingston, Ont.

An organized gang for the smuggling of Chinese into the United States by way of the Canadian border is believed to have been broken up by the arrest on Thursday of three Chinamen, who, it is said, were active agents of the organization. The arrest of an American, the ringleader, is all that is lacking to make the breaking up of the smugglers' ring complete. It is said by government agents who have been working secretly at Chicago for several weeks.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

FRETFUL CHILDREN.

If children are cross, or fretful, or sleepless, in ninety-nine times out of a hundred the reason can be traced to some little trouble of the stomach or bowels. Remove the cause and the little one will be bright, good-natured, and will sleep soundly and naturally. There is just one always absolutely safe medicine for little ones—Baby's Own Tablets. In homes where this medicine is used there are no sickly, cross, crying children. The Tablets will cure all the minor ills of little ones, and will do it safely and speedily—there is no doubt about this. Give the Tablets a single trial and you will be as enthusiastic about them as other mothers are. As for instance, Mrs. David Duffield, Ponsbury, Ont., says: "Baby's Own Tablets saved my baby's life. They are a wonderful medicine for children and I gladly recommend them to other mothers."

Your children will take this medicine as readily as candy, and it is guaranteed free from harmful drugs. Sold by all druggists or mailed at 25 cents a box by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

BICYCLE WANTED—Immediately, gent's, for cash. Address Wheelman, care Times.

WANTED—Small pony, used to children; cheap. State price and height to H. D. Times Office.

WANTED—Not more than 50 acres, fenced, within 5 miles of Victoria, 10 acres good cleared land, with water, no house required. State rent by month to F. M. B. Times Office.

WANTED—Restaurant partnership in good business. Apply E. J. office.

TO JOB PRINTERS—Our artists are now making cover designs, sketches, etc., for the West. Send your ideas, and outline sketches will be furnished without charge. H. C. Photo-Engraving Co., Victoria.

WANTED—We have continual inquiries for Vancouver Island farm lands. If you have property for sale write us at once giving full particulars, and we will sell it for you if it can be sold. Helsterman & Co., Victoria, B. C.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

WANTED—Tools, furniture, clothing, lamps, candlesticks, etc. Best prices paid at the 1st & 2nd Hand Store, No. 3 Store street, next to E. & N. station.

WANTED—Photo-Engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaranteed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

WANTED—TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—To rent, cottage or small 2-story house, in neighborhood of Fort Street. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

TO LET—Desirable cottage, Oak Bay Ave., \$10. Helsterman & Co.

TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS TO LET—Single or on suite, the best in city; across from Dominion Hotel. 123 Yates street.

TO LET—Desirable cottage, Oak Bay Ave., \$10. Helsterman & Co.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

BOARD AND ROOMS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

ROOM AND BOARD—Also table board, 73 Blanchard, between Johnson and Pandora; 3 minutes' walk from Government.

OSBORNE HOUSE—Cor. Pandora and Blanchard streets, Victoria, B. C. Good sunny rooms, with or without board; terms moderate. Mrs. Phil. H. Smith, Prop.

LAND FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—70 acres of land at Goldstream. For particulars apply Eddy's Junk Store, 125 Fort street.

FOR SALE—At a sacrifice, section 24, Goldstream District, 165 acres of land, suitable for stock or chicken raising; must be sold. Write, making an offer, to Box 514, Vancouver, B. C.

FOR SALE—Less than cost of improvements, 121 acres in Highland District; first-class frame dwelling, log stable and other outbuildings, about 50 fruit trees beginning to bear; make fine chicken range; good road; 14,000; terms. Apply Times Office.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—Oak House, Esquimalt road, 2 story, 7 roomed house, with all modern improvements, 2 lots, close to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

FOR SALE—House and lot, close to Fort street car, at less than cost of improvements; price \$1,100, one-third cash, balance on easy terms. Apply Helsterman & Co.

FOR SALE—Lot (16), Battery street, James Bay, near Beacon Hill Park, facing S., 52 feet wide by 120 feet deep; cheap for cash. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

FOR SALE OR RENT—On exceptionally cheap terms, cottage, 6 rooms and garden, all modern improvements, 14 Hillside ave. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

FOR SALE—Splendid building lots, with view; rich loamy soil; terms reasonable and payments easy; frontage on Anson street and Dallas road. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

SNAP—We are going to sell 100 very choice building lots near Hillside avenue to close an estate. The prices are low, and the terms \$10 down and \$5 a month, without interest. Come in early, as they won't last long. Helsterman & Co.

FOR SALE—House, corner Head street and Esquimalt road, with modern improvements. Inquire on premises, or 61 First street.

FOR SALE—2-story house with stone foundation, 22 Carr street, 4 rooms downstairs, 4 up; large cellar, garden, etc.; lot 72x103 feet. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 60 Government street.

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SWEEPING REDUCTIONS

With the Spring just arrived at Victoria, we have decided to have a

Cash Bargain Sale

Every Saturday, when you will see prices down to bed rock. We will sell Lea & Perrins' Worcester Sauce

Regular price 65c. each, on Saturday, for cash only,

50c. EACH

Carne's Economy Grocery,
COR. YATES AND BROAD STREETS.

Seed Peas

And All kinds of field seeds.

McDowell & Rosie
98 JOHNSON ST. TEL. 487.

NURSERY STOCK FOR SALE.

LAXTON, Improved Sharpless, Magoon and Clyde Strawberry Plants, \$1.00 per 100, \$2.00 per 1,000; Hardy Early Cablage Plants, 50c. per 100, 50c. per 200, \$1.00 per 300; catalogue of nursery stock free. G. A. Knight, Mount Tolmie Nursery, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—One phaeton, two light wagons and four carts; cheap for cash. W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery St.

LOST AND FOUND. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LOST—Black cow, with white face, at Gordon Head. Finder will please notify L. Goodacre & Son.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR.

THOMAS CATERALL—10 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

CONTRACTORS.

ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings; work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

CARPENTERS, DICKSON & HOWES, 131 to 135, Johnson street. Gypsum Block, manufacturers of show cases and store fixtures in hard and soft wood; designs and estimates furnished.

CLEANING WORKS.

GENTS' CLOTH

Chrysolina

THE GREAT CERM KILLER

Sold in highly concentrated form and will bear dilution to the extent of one hundred to one. Used on cattle, horses, dogs, etc., etc.

Sold Retail by all Druggists and Grocers.

R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

WHOLESALE AGENTS.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 2-5 a.m.—The barometer is rising along the coast, while over Northern British Columbia it is low. Light rains are reported in this vicinity. The weather yesterday was fine and decidedly warm throughout the Pacific slope, from Vancouver Island to California. Milder weather is also slowly spreading eastward across the Territories towards Manitoba.

Forecast.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday, Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh southerly and westerly winds, mostly cloudy and cool, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, mostly cloudy and cooler, with occasional rains.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.97; temperature, 52; minimum, 50; wind, 8 miles S.W.; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 48; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 30; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 34; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 42; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 28; minimum, 25; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, fair.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Charming from Vancouver—Friday—T. Stacy, W. A. Cunyow, L. Clode, C. E. Griffiths, K. Porter, C. A. Boyd, S. Allan, Otto Meyer, Miss Clarke, A. G. Potts, C. Tuck, W. B. Cook, G. Byrne, Capt. Mellon, Miss Archibald, Miss Keith, Robt. Jameson, C. Buchanan, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Newsum, J. Gibbons, J. O. Richards, Miss McDonald, Miss Phillips, P. Pease, J. Frank, W. Taylor, F. W. McCready, W. H. Watson, A. W. Vowell, Mrs. L. Thomson, H. M. Graham, Capt. J. S. Gibson, E. J. Ker, J. W. Powell, G. E. Fowell, H. Hardie, T. Henderson, Mrs. Goodman, C. McDowell, J. B. Willis, T. Parsell, J. Conglan, R. Nelson, J. T. Mowatt, T. C. Main, A. W. R. Whitman, Robt. Munro, R. Justice, Duff, E. H. Fletcher, Miss Fawcett, Miss Frank, Miss Fox, W. G. Richards, J. L. Beck, with, F. A. Hickert, J. A. Keefe, G. A. Keefe, S. Henderson, Miss Davis, Miss Ellis, A. G. Stewart, J. W. S. Stevenson.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Friday—G. Buchanan, Mrs. L. B. Joseph, J. Nickson, A. Thompson, Frank Daglish, Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Wilson, A. Hamrich, Mrs. Hamrich, Miss Hamrich, C. A. Frisbie, Mrs. Frisbie, Eva Johnson, W. Cole, G. W. Boyd, J. B. Edgar, D. Lacey, J. Reed, Mrs. Lane, Mr. Lutz, Mrs. Lutz, Mrs. Cahalan, R. H. Wallsten, E. Nichols, Mrs. P. Chandler, L. Lawrence, Jno. Davidson, Mr. Bonstetten, L. C. Bugman and wife, J. Davidson, Smith Curtis, H. F. Denham, E. A. Ramsey, C. F. Slough, A. H. Joseph.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

Itching, Blind, Bleeding and Protruding Piles. No cure, no pay. All druggists are authorized by the manufacturers of Pile Ointment to refund the money where it fails to cure any case of piles, no matter of how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in six days; the worst cases in fourteen days. Cure application gives ease and rest. Relieves itching instantly. This is a new discovery and it is the only pile remedy sold on a positive basis, no cure, no pay. Price 50c. If your druggist hasn't it in stock send 50 cents (Canadian stamps accepted) to the Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturers of the famous Brumo Quinine, the celebrated cold cure.

CONSIGNERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—R. S. Byrne, E. G. Prior & Co., Wilson Bros., S. L. & Co., E. R. S. & Co., Hickman Tye & Co., Cal. Prod. Co., W. S. F. & Co., C. F. Jackson & Co., Colonial P. & P. Co., J. M. Weston, J. F. H. Co., G. E. M. & Co., A. H. Henrich, B. C. M. Co., R. S. B. W. C. Co., J. A. Anderson, Mrs. B. H. Johns, N. Peppers, Black Bros., B. C. Market.

TELEPHONY, THE GREATEST INVENTION OF ALL.

An eminent electrician graphically says of the progress made in electrical science and invention during the past quarter of a century, that the greatest invention within, or without, this span is the telephone. The electric light is a priceless boon, the trolley car a great utility, wireless telegraphy a wonderful achievement; but the telephone is all these and a blessed hopefulness in human affairs as well. Its sublime simplicity and marvellous adaptability transcend all comparisons in the domain of pure or applied science.

The extension of audible speech transmission from a stone's throw to a thousand miles, and with quiet infection, is a work unrivalled. The telephone is an ally of worry, an assuager of sorrow, a life savor, a deliverer of crime, an earnest of security and an indispensable commercial necessity. The world could better afford to go back to the "pony dip" and the stage coach than give up the telephone.

The very latest and up-to-date switch-board has just been installed by our own telephone company in their new offices in the Bank of Montreal building. The workmanship is all Canadian, and the completeness and simplicity of the board is marvellous.

The manager, we are informed, will be glad to show subscribers or intending subscribers the plan and explain how "Central" works untiringly night and day to give satisfaction to all her clients.

VESSELS IN PORT BEING OVERHAULED

AMUR LEAVES WAYS AND INVERNESS DOCKS

The Forteviot Floated and Queen City Hauls Out To-day—Moana Sails.

To-day the British four-masted ship Forteviot leaves the drydock and the British turret steamship Inverness, which has just delivered a cargo from Java at the British Columbia sugar refinery, will succeed her on the blocks.

The latter only requires a cleaning and painting, which was the extent of the treatment given the Forteviot.

The B. C. Marine Railway Company have also the repairs to the steamer Queen City to make. The Amur, which has been on the ways for the past few weeks, will be floated during the day, and the smaller vessel taken on the cradle in her stead. The Amur has received between 20 and 25 new plates. She has also received a number of new frames, and before she leaves the company's hands will be given a thorough overhauling, preparatory for the northern service. The new work that has just been done on her has been necessitated by her recent grounding at Port Simpson.

The Forteviot will await orders in Esquimaut.

REINSURANCE ADVANCES.

Badly battered boats marked with the name of the British ship Lamorna, together with some spars, oars and other wreckage, seem to make the doubts concerning the safety of that ship well founded. So sure are the speculators that the vessel is lost that the reinsurance on her has been raised to 90 per cent.

When first sighted the boat found off Marshfield, Or., was 16 miles south by west, one quarter west of Cape Lookout. The boat was upside down, with a small piece of the gunwale gone and with a large hole in the bottom near the bow. There was no sign of life in the neighborhood of the boat.

Oswald Palmer, a 17-year-old English lad, who was shipped by his father on the ill-fated vessel Lamorna, and who deserted the vessel upon her arrival at Tacoma, is congratulating himself upon the lucky accident that made him leave the ship. Upon leaving the Lamorna he shipped on a coaster, which carried him to San Pedro and then brought him back to Tacoma. To his surprise he discovered that the Lamorna was still in port. Fearing capture, he went to Port Blakeley, and there shipped on a lumber laden vessel bound for San Francisco. He there shipped on the steamship Queen, and on the northward trip the vessel caught fire. He was one of those placed on board the boats, and was pitched into the water, and with another passenger spent nearly an hour, coming near drowning before the two were rescued. He is now working at the St. Paul mill, Tacoma, believing sea life too dangerous to follow.

QUITE INGENIOUS.

British navigators who have had any experience in shipping crews at Port Townsend will be amused in reading the following dispatch from Port Townsend: "The cinch game on the British side to kill off the shipping of sailors here met a rebuke when the British ship Linlithgowshire, lumber laden, from Vancouver for Fremantle, was forced to put in here with a crew all but in open mutiny. Capt. W. B. Anderson drew a sigh of relief when his vessel was at anchor here and the places of an aggregation of what might be termed as 'stiffs' (inexperienced men) were filled by sailors supplied here. In the past it has been the custom for vessels loading in British Columbia ports to tow here upon completing cargoes to secure the men necessary to navigate them, masters preferring the Port Townsend crews. The business had grown to profitable proportions, when the British Columbia authorities undertook to stop it, and Capt. Anderson was the first victim of the new order."

MOANA AWAY.

After receiving Victoria freight, mail and passengers, the latter, including A. Robertson and wife, bound for Honolulu, R. M. S. Moana sailed for Australia, this morning. She has a good sized cargo, and among other passengers are: A. E. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks and family, Herbert Zeebe, Mr. and Mrs. T. Robertson, Mrs. G. E. Mares, M. Olford, J. B. Huson, Mr. Hateley, H. Campbell and wife, Miss Campbell, H. Campbell, Mrs. J. D. Howell, D. G. Bain, wife and children and Mrs. A. E. Hobson.

MARINE NOTES.

The Dominion government dredge King Edward will shortly be set at work on the North Arm of the Fraser river, deepening the channel of that stream so that navigation may be bettered.

"JAPAN AND JAPANESE."

Interesting Lecture by Rev. Dr. Whittington in the Metropolitan Methodist Church.

Rev. Dr. Whittington, of Vancouver, gave a very interesting and instructive address on Thursday evening in the Metropolitan church on the subject "Japan and the Japanese." Hon. A. E. Smith, the United States consul, presided ably, and introduced the doctor with a few well chosen remarks upon the efforts of Commodore Perry and General Grant in the opening up of the "Land of the Rising Sun" to the commerce of the civilized world. Mrs. Stanchand favored the audience with a very excellent solo, which was rendered to the satisfaction of all. Mrs. Stanchand's voice is always very effective, and was doubly so on this occasion. The doctor

proved master of the situation, and brought out several points in the character, patriotism and religion of the Japanese, which were well worth knowing, and which throw considerable light upon the successes which have so recently attended their conflict with the Russian bear.

LIARD RIVER GOLD.

John Hyland Brings News That the Strike Has Not Been Fully Investigated.

John Hyland, of Telegraph Creek, is in the city, having arrived from the interior by way of Wrangell. A quick trip was made by dog team down the Stikine river, the ice being in excellent condition and the snowfall being just heavy enough to make the sleighing good and not so deep as to interfere with travel.

The Liard river gold strike, Mr. Hyland says, is yet to prove. Johnny Morrow, a half-breed, discovered the new field at the head of the Nahanni river, a tributary of the Liard. He got good colors. An Indian whom he told of it got good results also. It will be impossible before June perhaps to get full information on it, and learn whether the ground is really rich or worthless commercially.

A BACHELOR IN ARCADE.

By Halliwell Sutcliffe, author of "Mistress Barbara," 12mo, cloth, with title and frontispiece in colors, 250 pp. The name of Arcady is well set in the title. The Arcady of this bachelor is a small farm nestled down by a river. Here he works when he feels like it, goes hunting, or takes long tramps, and leads a free and easy life unopposed by social duties. He is particularly careful not to fall in the way of womankind, for he is convinced that here lies the secret of unrest. Nevertheless, the pitfall into which he falls at last is of his own digging.

It is impossible in a brief review of "A Bachelor in Arcady" to give an idea of the subtle merriment which pervades it. From the time when the goats work havoc in the pines, and the bantam hen hatches out a strange brood, until certain good news is brought to Styloze, there is one ripple of mirth after another, to keep the reader on the qui vive. These things cannot be told about in set phrase. They must be enjoyed for themselves; and we feel sure that any who read the book upon our recommendation will be grateful for the suggestion. It is a book for one to enjoy heartily by oneself, and afterwards to read aloud to a friend.

We cannot compare it to other present-day books, for the reason that it seems to stand apart and have a flavor of its own. However, it is a book which Charles Lamb would have liked, and, later, Robert Louis Stevenson and our own "R. M. C." Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., 429 and 438 West Broadway, New York.

HEALTH IN APRIL.

Use the World's Greatest Spring Medicine, Paine's Celery Compound

IT IS THE ONLY REMEDY GLADLY AND UNIVERSALLY RECOMMENDED BY THE BEST PHYSICIANS.

It is well known that almost every condition of winter life has been detrimental to the health of thousands of men and women. The blood has become clogged and impure; the skin is unhealthy and muddy; the eyes are dull and sunken; the nerves are unsteady; there is loss of weight, stomach troubles, rheumatism and neuralgia make life a misery by day and night.

Paine's Celery Compound is the only spring medicine that the best physicians are now recommending, because no other remedy can so quickly bring new and vigorous health to the ailing and broken-down.

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Information gathered by the German forestry commission assigns to the pine tree 700 years as the maximum length of life, 425 years to the silver fir, 375 to the larch, 245 years to the red beech, 210 to the aspen, 200 to the birch, 170 to the ash, 145 to the elder, and 130 to the elm. The heart of the oak begins to rot at about the age of 300 years. Of the holly, it is said there is a specimen aged 410 years in existence near Aschaffenburg, in Germany.

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CONFIDENCE AND TIMIDITY.

The Montreal Star, like all newspapers streaked with yellow, is occasionally very humorous in its propositions. It elates the triumph of the McBride government at the late general elections in British Columbia as proof of decline in the strength of Liberalism in Canada, and as a practical demonstration of the fact that the Conservative party will be victorious in the elections which will follow the dissolution of the present Dominion Parliament. We suspect that when the special correspondent of the Star, who shall pay us a visit shortly for the purpose of surveying the situation, and writing us up in his rapid way at a very high rate per line, reviews the field, he will find that the victory of McBride has not been a healthy thing for the cult of Toryism in the province. But we cannot reasonably expect him to tell the tale as he reads it to the several millions who are guaranteed to imbibe wisdom from the great organ of public opinion which is accorded so little honor in its own country that of sixty-five members of Parliament from the province of Quebec only five are "straight" Conservatives. We suppose it is because the Star possesses so little influence at home that it is seeking to establish itself in British Columbia and is asking subsidies from the government and from the various public bodies. After the handsome compliment it has paid the McBride administration we have no doubt but disgruntled but enterprising contemporary will be treated with marked generosity by the Premier. Indeed the head of our Noble Five has already endorsed the Star as an advertising medium of the first class, and is said to have promised it twenty thousand or so of the extra dollars he expects to gain by the extraordinary rates of taxation. The Star, it is well known, is the treasurer of the Tory campaign fund. It is most that all the people of British Columbia should be compelled to contribute to their abundance towards the sacred cause. The manufacturers of the East, who think they would be benefited by a change of government are few. Those who favor a change are shrewd gentlemen. They know the Conservative party is farther from power today than it has been at any time within the past seven years. They will not contribute. Why should not provinces such as British Columbia, which are feasting upon the good things provided by Tory governments, do their duty by the party which so lavishly distributes its largess when it is given the power?

However, there is no reason that we know of why the despondent spirits of Eastern Conservatives should not be cheered by reports of the revival of Toryism and the decision of Grit prestige in this far western province. We are far from the centres of political influence, and it may possibly be that the truth will not be known until the people have expressed their opinions at the polls. But we would advise all true followers of Mr. Borden to imitate the Montreal Star and pick up whatever they can, because it is as near to a certainty as anything can be in this world that for five years they will have no opportunity to make systematic raids, as they did in times which, alas! are but a memory. Still, it would not be possible to deny the party the consolations of hope. It is impossible to foresee what may happen. Dark horses have been known to win. While the general opinion is that the elections said to be pending will not impair the present strength of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's government, no one can tell what may happen. For that reason we think it would be well for the opposition in Parliament to facilitate business and permit the test to be made as soon as possible. If they are as optimistic as they profess to be, the sooner the elections are held the sooner they will be in power. A political party which is confident that the sentiment of a country is with it is usually eager to force dissolution. The Liberal party in Great Britain is doing all in its power to encompass the defeat of the Balfour government because it

knows that the confidence of the electorate has been withdrawn from that government. The Conservative opposition in Canada felicitated itself upon the fact that it so obstructed business during the last session of the House as to prevent dissolution. It has proclaimed its intention to keep Parliament at work again this year until the show files in order to frustrate the purpose of the ministers, which is said to be an appeal to the electorate. There is the attitude of the two parties. In the one there is the confidence that betokens confidence of success; in the other there is anxiety to defer action in the hope that something may turn up to make success possible.

A VOICE FROM THE NORTH.

We are in receipt of a letter from Port Essington signed Peter O. Hair. The English language appears to have proved a hard nut for Peter to crack, he being apparently a foreigner with a grievance against the government on account of increased taxation. We are sorry to say our Port Essington friend is not singular in his position of antagonism. But it is not given to all to express their grievances so vigorously or with so little regard to the literary conventions. For example:
 "This country did my late father clear, with the help of me alone. We nearly broke our poor human hearts to remove the stump and stone. I am a Canadian offspring I am sorry for to say. I helped to clear this country, and how am forced away. Britain has ruined this country," by forcing the Japs upon Port Essington, our correspondent apparently attempts to say, although he lapses into incoherence in the effort. "The next curse is the tax on our backs. The poor cannot pay. Then look at these hard-hearted Conservative members through hatred of the poor. Tax them! Rob them! Turn them out to beg from door to door! Where will we go? I don't know. I pray God to help us men to strangle those the poor oppose and shame their guilty brain! They bought the rains which now they sold; they bought the rains with bloody gold. Now they tax the babe on its mother's breast. They tax the filthy swine! They tax the cock upon the roost and the chickens that come behind. Now, come, my boys! Up we must rise! Be loyal to a man, to drive these wolves, these sneaking wolves, who have us tethered foot and hand. Their gold is done; they are as poor as Hell! They cannot buy more. Their fat friends will leave them. They cannot reign more." We feel safe in promising the representative of the Skeena district and his great leader a warm time when they again appear in Skeena.

A CONSCIENTIOUS SECT.

There are said to be ten thousand Mormons in Canada, each one of whom is determined to do his or her duty when public opinion will permit. It will not permit at present. It is almost unanimously opposed to polygamy. The Mormons say if certain social problems be approached with an open mind it will be found there are more condemnable features in our life than polygamy. They point to the marked success that has attended the Mormon colonies wherever they have been planted as proof of the fact that the tithing system and plural marriages are favored by God. It must always be remembered, however, that the apostles, or protagonists (to use a term much in favor at the present time) are mere men. The women are not permitted to express opinions. And women, after all, are half, if not the better half, of mankind. The Mormon men seem to regard them as merely the instruments through which the divine injunction to increase and multiply shall be fulfilled. The head of the church has been so faithful in the observance of the decrees that he has forty children living, and but for the interposition of the laws of the United States he might have been a still more prolific father in Israel. And in this connection it is worthy of note that apostles of special grace in the Mormon type of religion have invariably been blessed with large families. Unbelievers and scoffers may be inclined to say that the tithing system has enabled them to exemplify the doctrines of the church to the limit. The poor saint with no pull and the unregenerate Gentile, having to work for their bread, may find it an exceedingly difficult thing to maintain one wife and one family. Hence those highly favored of the Lord are bound to bear the burdens of their poorer neighbors, and it must be said for them that they do it without murmur. In fact, they are very severe upon governments which attempt to suppress practices mistakenly alleged to be indecent. The elders are so conscientious, so zealous, and so sincere, that they bear their yokes without complaint. They are not at all the style of men depicted by the little boy who said: "King Solomon was a great and wise man. He had a hundred wives. After that he did not believe in God." Each addition to his responsibilities strengthens the elder's faith. It would be interesting to have a true statement of the opinion of a Mormon woman with experience in a "plural" family. For the present we are told the colony in Canada, while polygamists by faith, are monogamists in practice. This in deference to popular prejudice which they believe will die out. We advise the present generation of Mormons that they had better seek a country in which the law is not a fetter previous to making any attempt

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to carry out their objectionable practices.

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The Australians are not slow in expressing their opinions of British cricketers whose methods of play they do not consider worthy of approval. But they object to the "barracking" of the King. Dr. Dowie offered the populace by saying in one of his characteristic "sermons": "The King will get to heaven only by the skin of his teeth. Nobody imagines that the King has any religion to spare." The last report stated that the American consul had been appealed to to get the reverend gentleman out of the country lest a worse thing than hooting should befall him. What has become of him is not known. He has disappeared from view.

THE DOMINION EXHIBITION.

To the Editor:—The effort that is being put forth by the people of the Mainland toward getting the exhibition of 1905 is worthy of consideration, if we believe in the rewards of perseverance. It certainly looks as if they would succeed in their efforts, but there are very strong reasons that can be brought forward in favor of Victoria securing the exhibition. One is that in having the show at Victoria people coming from the East would have the opportunity of seeing more of the country and its extreme Western points. Another reason is, we are on an island, and the many farmers that come here to settle are sometimes here for years before they get in touch with the real conditions of agriculture. At the present we have nothing in the way of encouragement for farmers as regards inspiration toward progress, and we can realize by only looking around us that the time is not far distant when farming will be far in advance of any other industry on this island. The rigor of Eastern winters give to most European settlers one thought, and that is, where can I go to escape the severe cold? We also know that if good earnest effort is put forth the island offers very good opportunities for farming, good climate, etc. About the benefits to be derived from the exhibition it is not necessary to write, only to say that it would put the farmers and agriculture in general on a basis that we scarcely realize. It is easy to say we can't get the exhibition, but there is no doubt about our right to it, and if every effort is put forth and we secure the exhibition of 1905 for Victoria, those later

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—The city council will not sit Monday evening in consequence of it being Easter Monday. The regular weekly meeting will be held on Tuesday evening instead.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. Henderson will take place from the family residence, near Willows, this evening at 8.30 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Toronto. Rev. Dr. Campbell will conduct the funeral services.

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—The schools will be closed all next week. Easter Monday is always a holiday, while the annual convention of the Provincial Teachers' Institute, the three days following, will involve a relaxation from lessons on the part of pedagogues and pupils the remainder of the week. A large number of Victoria teachers will attend the meeting.

—An early morning wedding was celebrated in St. Paul's church, Vancouver, at 8 o'clock on Wednesday, the contracting parties being Mr. Roy Macgowan, son of Mr. A. H. B. Macgowan, M.L.A., and Miss Emma Sowden, daughter of Mrs. C. Snowden, of 1008 Pendrell street. There ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. J. Underhill in the presence of a few relatives and friends. The happy couple left on the Seattle express on a month's honeymoon trip.

—A Dawson correspondent, under date of March 19th, says: "Since the first war report from the Far East reached here all the sons of the Mikado's Empire in this city and on the creeks have been showing their patriotism, and have started to raise a 'war fund' to help their country. The amount has reached \$3,000, and the committee believes that it can collect \$10,000 or more by the end of July. The number of Japanese in the Yukon territory is less than 100."

—An important change in local commercial circles has taken place this week, the grocery firm of Mowat & Wallace having dissolved. Mr. Wallace retires from the business, which will henceforth be conducted by Robert Mowat. This firm has conducted one of the most flourishing businesses in the city during the past year or two, and it is the intention of Mr. Mowat to conduct it on the same up-to-date lines in future. Mr. Wallace has not decided as yet what he will do.

The Easter services in Calvary Baptist church to-morrow promise to be exceptionally interesting. Special music will be rendered, particularly in the evening, when a splendid song service recently received by the pastor, Rev. Mr. King, from Boston, will be rendered. A capable decorating committee has been at work in the interior of the edifice, which presents a beautiful appearance. An unusual feature of this decoration will be floral memorials arranged by relatives of departed ones. The choir, under the leadership of Geo. Watson, have the choral part of the service well in hand.

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—The monthly open meeting of the Y. M. C. A. will be held to-morrow afternoon. An address will be delivered by Rev. C. F. Connor, and the choir of the James Bay Methodist church will assist by providing special Easter music.

—J. M. Jordan, of Seattle, was in the city a few days ago. He is interested in the project of erecting a smelter on Valdez Island. He visited Crofton and Ladysmith, and was very much impressed with the outlook for mining. He is yet undecided as to whether or not a smelter will be put up at Valdez.

—The members of the government, on Thursday afternoon listened to the representations made to them by the police commissioners and the city council with respect to the question of the council endorsing the recommendations of the police commissioners. The decision of the government has not been given out in the matter.

—The arrangements for the A. O. U. W. benefit concert in aid of the Convalescent Home to be established are now completed. Contributors to the refreshment tables are asked to leave their donations at the A. O. U. W. hall from 2 till 4 on Monday afternoon, or by telephoning No. 39 they will be sent for.

—Arrangements are now well under way for the Easter social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening next, in the school room of the church. There will be a programme of music, etc., and refreshments, to be followed by a series of tableaux. The latter will be most interesting. Further particulars will be announced later.

—The Cumberland Enterprise says: "H. P. Collis, who for nearly 12 years has been in charge of Simon Leiser & Co.'s general store here, left for Victoria on Friday, where he will enter the business office of that firm. Mr. Collis, on the eve of his departure, was the recipient of a handsome gold-mounted ebony walking stick and a solid gold pen, presented by the employees of the big store."

—Preparatory to completing the James Bay retaining wall, according to the new plan made necessary by the reinforcing of the centre of it, the upper part of the stone work has been removed for a distance. When replaced the line of the wall will be straightened. The macadam is being left low enough to allow of permanent paving being laid on top of it, and by this means brought up to the proper level of the street. The work is being pushed forward, and the street cars will soon be running over the filled in part, thus allowing an opportunity to fill in beneath the remaining half of the bridge.

—The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the home for the month of March: Mrs. Tivney, clothing; Pope Stationery Co., newspapers and magazines; Mrs. Van Tassel, fruit and reading matter; Mr. Hodges, rugs; A. Friend, stockings; Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, illustrated papers and magazines; N. Shakespeare, reading matter; Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, newspapers; Mrs. B. W. Pearce, illustrated papers; News and Graphics; A. Friend, clothing and magazines; Mrs. McLeod (Brunswick hotel), magazines; Mr. Meldrum, newspapers and magazines; Times and Colonist, daily papers.

—Arrangements have been made to tender G. J. Burnett, the well known organist, teacher and composer, of this city, a complimentary farewell concert on the evening of Tuesday, the 10th inst. The concert will be under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieut. Governor. The arrangements are in the hands of the leading vocalists and instrumentalists of the city, who are uniting as one individual in promoting this affair, and thus show their appreciation of the genius and ability of Mr. Burnett. The difficulty so far has been to accept all the assistance offered for the programme. The citizens will be given their opportunity to show the same appreciation, and it is believed that by crowding Institute hall to the doors on the evening of the 10th, Victoria is a great loser, and the Terminal City the gainer. By Mr. Burnett resigning his position as organist at St. Andrew's church, to accept a similar position in Wesley church, Vancouver. In this case a double loss is sustained because Mrs. Burnett, whose sympathetic and charming soprano voice has entertained many, will also be much missed. Further particulars of this musical event will be published later.

—Victoria coffee parlors, Broad street. Light lunches and afternoon teas. Open from 7.30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

—The total clearings at the Victoria clearing house for the week ending March 29th were \$423,024.

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—Steamers Danube and Tees, of the C. P. R. fleet, sailed on their respective routes last night, the former for northern British Columbia ports and the latter for the West Coast. Both carried big freights, and the Danube had all the passengers she could accommodate, there being on board several gangs of men for northern canneries.

—In the police court this morning but one case was called. A soldier from the barracks appeared charged with being drunk. The accused explained that Good Friday had been responsible for his breaking out, after having been a teetotaler for five months. Upon assuring the court and the chief of police that he would not repeat the offence, he was allowed to go free.

—Special services were held in a number of the city's churches yesterday, attractive musical programmes being the order of the day. In the Reformed Episcopal church an interesting service was conducted, those taking part in the musical programme being Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, Mrs. I. Hinton, Miss Calhoun, and Messrs. J. Kingham and Godfrey Booth. Mr. Giles was organist.

—Miss Agnes Fraser, eldest daughter of A. B. Fraser, et., passed away this morning at the family residence, Cairns, block 55, Alfred street. Deceased, who has been an invalid for the past two years, was 31 years of age, and a native of Liverpool, England. She came to Victoria six years ago with her father. The funeral is expected to take place on Monday afternoon.

—Easter generally brings to light a few deficiencies in the housekeeper's stock of china, cutlery, silver, cut glass, table glass, table linen, etc. Weiler Bros. were never better prepared to meet this increased demand than this season. Stocks are complete with all that is newest and best, and the prices? They're all right, too. Weiler Bros., Government street, Victoria, B.C.

—A Bellingham dispatch says: "President William Farrell, of the British Columbia Telephone Company, is here perfecting the organization of an American corporation, which is to build a telephone cable line from this city to Victoria, B. C., a distance of 70 miles. Mr. Farrell says that it is easier to connect Vancouver Island with the mainland by this route than by running a line to the city of Vancouver."

—Arrangements are progressing most favorably for the J. B. A. dance, which is to be held on Friday next, April 8th. Already the hall shows the results of the efforts of the corps of decorators who have been at work for the past week, and by the date fixed for the dance it is safe to say that it will present a very fine appearance. James Dunsmuir has kindly made a handsome donation, which will prove a great assistance in procuring the very best music available. The programme is already in the printer's hands, and is of a style that will please the most artistic.

—All who have not seen Holmes and Holmes in the mirth-provoking farce, "Scenes in a Dissecting Room," at the Edison this week, should do so to-night. They are very ably assisted by Harry Gibbs. This will be the last chance to hear Mr. Gibbs singing, as his engagement closes to-night. He has been at the Edison for the past ten weeks, and during that time has labored conscientiously and successfully both as stage manager and illustrated song singer for the benefit of the theatre. He has made many warm friends here, and they, as well as the management of the Edison, will greatly regret his departure. Besides the above, Parrott, the eccentric juggler; Rafferty and Hale, Irish and German comedians, and the moving pictures, make up an enjoyable entertainment. The performance will start at 7.15 p.m. sharp to-night to accommodate the enormous crowds sure to be on hand. Next week there will be an especially strong Easter week programme, headed by the Ahrens, equilibrist-extrordinary, who have an act without an equal; Lester and Lester, in a comedy sketch, entitled "Rip! Rip! Rip!"; Son Flower, Walter Kellogg, a very promising young tenor, who will sing the beautiful illustrated song; "The Face in the Moonlight," and a long list of new and novel moving pictures, including "Jap soldiers wrestling on a man-of-war," etc. Special attention is called to the matinee days as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 2.45 p.m., and Saturday at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

—P. R. Brown, Jr., who has been in the employ of Messrs. Pemberton & Sons for the past 3 years, left on Thursday night for Portland, Ore., where he will take a six months' course in the business college.

—Rev. E. LeRoy Dakin has arrived from Nova Scotia to assume the pastorate of Emmanuel Baptist church. Owing to a severe cold contracted on the journey he will be unable to preach to-morrow, but will speak briefly at the evening service.

—A witness who furnished his evidence at the Southwark County court, London, was called upon by Judge Addison to "speak up." The admonition had no effect, whereupon the judge said: "Good gracious man, I ask you to speak out, and immediately you begin (imitating) wobble, wobble, wobble. How on earth can I understand that?"

DRILL HALL CONCERT.

Victoria West and Fernwood Intermediates to Play Basketball To-Night.

During the progress of the Fifth Regiment band promenade concert at the drill hall this evening an exhibition game of basketball will be played between the Victoria West and Fernwood intermediate players. This will be the first intermediate game played at the drill hall this season, and as these teams are very evenly matched, a game as interesting as any yet played may be expected. They will commence at 9.15 o'clock. The following excellent programme will be rendered by the regimental band, commencing at 8.30 o'clock:

PART I.
Overture—Poets of Pagan Suppe
Mexican Dance—Maria Dairia
Solo for Cornet—The Holy City, Mascheroni
Sergt. W. V. North, Soloist.
Selection from The Isle of Champagne..... Furst

PART II.
Basketball—Victoria West vs. Fernwood.
March to Calvary fr. The Redemption..... Gounod
Basketball—Second Half Gounod
Two-Step—Laughing Water Lowey
God Save the King.....

GRAND TRUNK AGAIN TO THE FRONT.

The New York agency of the Grand Trunk railway system are now occupying what is considered to be the hand-somest railroad office in the world, on the ground floor of the new Dun Mercantile Agency building, at 230 Broadway, New York. The floor is finished throughout in Sienna marble, bronze and plate glass, and these decorations cost the owners of the building \$100,000, and it is considered the finest display of this handsome stone in America. The Grand Trunk leased the entire floor and called it the "Railway Exchange," having as sub-tenants: Great Eastern Fast Freight Line, Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., Maine Steamship Co., Clyde Steamship Co., Queen & Crescent route, Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co., Wisconsin Central Railroad Co., Central railroad of New Jersey, the Central States Dispatch, Pere Marquette Railroad Co., Georgia Railroad Co. The consolidation of these interests is a new departure, and in the brief time that they have been together it has been such an accommodation to the shipping and travelling public that its success is assured. The entire office has been fitted throughout in mahogany, which corresponds with the building's decoration, the offices being in the centre of the space, with a lobby down each side. Everything considered, the Grand Trunk railway system's new office is worthy of a call from anyone visiting New York.

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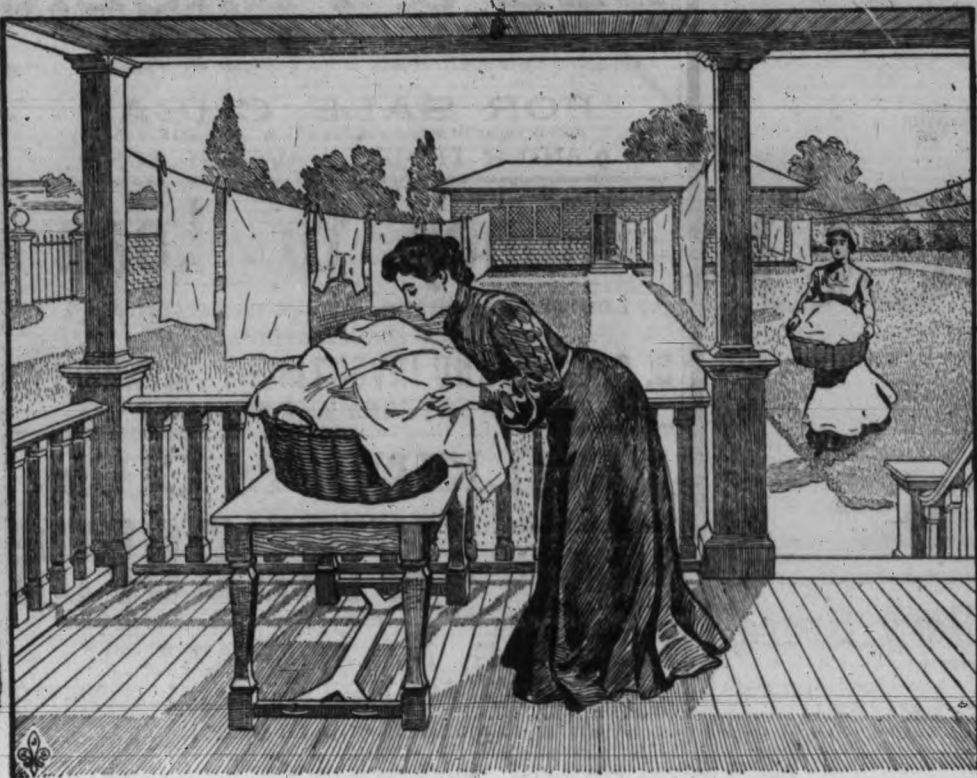
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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTER: Sir Peter Markham is yachting in the Mediterranean with his daughter Eve, and his private secretary Dick Knight, a clever fellow, but with no prospects. The girl, understanding the reticence of the young man, induces him to make love to her. Her father hears the confession, or which the girl takes the responsibility. The father, who made his money in South Africa, however, discourages the idea, as Knight is neither rich nor a genius. It is arranged that the private secretary shall leave at Tangier. In the meantime, the yacht comes across a strange craft. There appears to be no one on board, and Sir Peter and the secretary, with volunteers from their crew, resolve to board this mysterious vessel. Dick leads the way. The yacht proves to be exquisitely furnished, and some of the cabins had lately been in the occupation of a woman. There is a gold repeater watch with diamond monogram, and some other belongings apparently of a wealthy gentleman. But there are no signs of a crew, or indeed, of departures from this spell-bound ship. At last, however, attention is directed to a big packing-case. This case, for the time being, affords no clue, but the mystery is deepened by the discovery of a large iron cage, broken open. Sir Peter Markham, who has been strangely moved, becomes terrified. He explains the reason. On the yacht he has found trace of a lady after whom his daughter Eve was named, to whom he was attached in early life, and who disappeared on the day fixed for their wedding.

CHAPTER V.

What Knight found Under the Table. The "inquest" on the Xenia was over, and nobody concerned was any wiser than before. Never had a verdict been so difficult to arrive at. It was impossible to say whether the passengers and crew of the yacht had been murdered, had committed suicide, whether there had been a bloodless mutiny, or whether one and all had been the victims of some tremendous and mysterious catastrophe. The arrival of the derelict and her almost incredibly strange story created a sensation at Gibraltar. Many people begged permission to go on board, and she would have become a kind of floating museum—a sea-chamber of horrors—had not the captain of the port rigidly refused to allow anyone save persons having official business even to set foot on the Xenia's deck. But those officials had tongues; and the magnificent appointments of the yacht, the wonderful jewels, the gold table service, the exquisite wardrobe left by the mysterious lady, and the fact that no papers were

to be found, were soon the subjects of universal discussion. All sorts of theories were brought forward. The favorite was that the Xenia had been attacked by Ruff pirates, and every human being on board had been made to walk the plank. The presence of valuables worth a fortune presented an obstacle to this theory, but it was agreed by its adherents that the pirates might have taken alarm, and been obliged to leave the yacht without their spoils. Others advanced the idea that a monster octopus might have risen from the sea and seized with its great tentacles several of the people on board; whereupon, struck with horror at the awful sight, those who remained had gone mad and leaped overboard.

Some curiosity was felt concerning Dick Knight, but as no one knew very much about him, the story began to go round that he was a professional detective, engaged to ferret out the mystery. Dick had to make up his mind to idleness, until after the inquest on the yacht. But meanwhile his brain had been busy, and he was eager to get to work at proving or disproving the truth of the idea which had leaped into his thoughts like an inspiration.

Literally, it saw merely the germ of an idea; and he was aware that, unless he found it could be freely fertilized with circumstantial evidence, the germ must die, and he would be left digging in more or less barren ground for another more promising.

By his request everything aboard the Xenia had been left in exactly the same position or state in which he and Sir Peter Markham had found it when they had paid their eventful first visit to the tossing derelict. Even the table remained untouched, and the galleys, with the remains of food, specimens of which had now been unfruitfully analysed by a chemist of Gibraltar. No poison had been found, and the captain of the port, who from the first counted the idea of poison, had had the satisfaction of saying, "I told you so." He was inclined to smile good-naturedly at the employment of an amateur detective; but, after all, that was not his affair. He occupied himself, now that the inquest was over, in efforts to ascertain facts as to the ownership of the yacht, from what port she had sailed, and where she had been built. While the captain of the port dictated telegrams and letters to various places, in the hope of receiving information by return, Dick Knight spent his time in wandering reflectively between the dining-saloon of the Xenia, her galleys and the storeroom, where the packing case and the tins of fruit still stood undisturbed.

If there were anything in his idea, and, if, indeed, it were really an inspiration, the meal which had apparently been in progress at the hour when mystery swooped down upon the yacht, had not been dinner, but luncheon. Between the moment when the two inmates of the dining-saloon had dropped their serviettes and left the table, and the moment when the Xenia was first sighted by the Lily Maid, there would not have been time for the thing vaguely floating in Dick's mind to happen. Therefore he

wished to prove to himself that the yacht had become a derelict early in the afternoon; and his first thought, when he was at liberty to do as he chose, was to take steps towards this goal.

The strawberries left on the plates were no longer round and ruby-like, but wilted and of a sickly, purplish tinge, so that their appearance could not help him to a decision. But he remembered noticing before his "inspiration" had come to him that the berries looked slightly overripe. Now he told himself that they might easily have been on the table for several hours, when he and Sir Peter first boarded the yacht. Somewhat boyishly, perhaps, he had bought a new notebook in Gibraltar; and now he put down his first entry: "Strawberries over-ripe." The next went in after an inspection of the dishes which had been served for the meal, and taken back to the galley with the changing of the courses.

Neither dishes nor pots and pans had been washed, and Dick jotted down in his book: "Soup, fish, chicken, potato croquette; entree of some sort; asparagus; remains of cream ice in freezer; jelly, cheese. More probably lunch; not courses enough for dinner." Then he half smiled as he read his own notes. "If a stranger opened the book at this page, he would take me for a cook," he said to himself.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

ROSSLAND.

Definite announcement was made here Tuesday of the resumption of operations at the Velvet and Portland mines on Sunday morning. Andrew G. Lafson will have charge of the mines, under the direction of William Thompson, consulting engineer.

YMIR.

Marlock Campbell, charged with the wilful murder of Alexander McDermott, came up before P. J. Gleaser, J.P., for a preliminary hearing and was committed to stand his trial at the assizes in Nelson which will open on May 17th. Campbell was taken to Nelson and he will be lodged in the provincial jail until his trial comes off in May.

REVELSTOCK.

April will see the road forces over the Pacific division of the C. P. R. strengthened to a summer basis. It is understood that at least 250 men will be distributed among the sections, while another 300 men will be employed on extra gangs. This is exclusive of the necessary additions which will be made to the bridge and building, the train service and the mechanical staffs.

NELSON.

The civic estimates for the year were brought down at the last meeting of the city council, and after a long discussion the rate for the year was finally fixed at 21 mills—the same as last year—and generally the report of the finance committee was adopted, with the exception that the allowance for interest and sinking fund for the unsold power plant debentures, \$12,537.30, was struck out, otherwise the rate would have been 27 mills.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Provided the calculated future progress with construction of the Fraser river bridge in the home stretch for a finish is maintained, the citizens propose to have the official and formal opening on July 1st. The provincial government has placed an order with the Brunette Sawmills Company for 3,500 pieces, 150,000 feet of timber for the new approach to be put up on the south side for the better accommodation of the general public.

NELSON.

The first party, consisting of about 150 immigrants, bound for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, will leave Spokane on April 6th, in charge of J. N. Grievie, Dominion immigration agent at Spokane. All the immigration trains leaving Spokane during the next three months will pass through this city.

There arrived in this city the other day a live deer, captured by Engineer McKenzie and Fireman Dewar of engine No. 1,039. While running light from Grand Forks to Cascade, the two men observed a deer trying to get through the fence that encloses the track between these two points. The deer's frantic efforts proved fruitless, and the engine crew captured the animal and brought it to this city.

VANCOUVER.

The case of Tanaka, the Japanese who had pleaded not guilty to the charge of attempting murder, was disposed of at the assizes on Monday. He changed his plea to that of guilty of common assault, and at the suggestion of the prosecution, and in view of the fact that accused had already served three months, he was let off on suspended sentence, besides being bound over for the space of two years to keep the peace with \$400 bonds.

J. T. Brown, license inspector of the city, passed away at the General hospital on Tuesday night. The deceased, who was a native of Ontario, was about 65 years of age, and leaves a widow and grown-up family to mourn his loss. He came to this city in 1891 and has been license inspector for several years. Georgina Hewitson, who on Monday pleaded guilty at the Assizes to attempting to poison her mother, was on Tuesday up for sentence. The court decided, in consideration of her age, the girl being only 14 years old, to allow her out on suspended sentence, subject to the call of the court at any time.

She is also to be taken charge of by the Children's Aid Society for a term of years. Upon intimation of the crown that no further proceedings would be taken against James Adair, in whose case the jury had failed to agree, the prisoner being charged with having housebreaking tools in his possession, Adair was dismissed from custody. In the afternoon session the charge of defamatory libel, brought against the Chinaman Lee, by Sergeant Keeler Fulton, came up before the Chief Justice. Osborne Plunkett represented the crown, and A. D. Taylor appeared for the prisoner, who pleaded not guilty. The Chief Justice said he had been looking through the depositions, and wanted to know where there was any case for libel there. Mr. Plunkett said he understood that certain admissions had been made by the prisoner before making the deposition. The Chief Justice said the depositions had been made to persons in authority and after the arrest of the prisoner, and, therefore, could not count for anything. Unless it was shown that the statements were maliciously made there was no libel. "Do you think," he asked, "that had the prisoner been a white man instead of a Chinaman, the grand jury would have sent up a true bill under such circumstances? It is ridiculous to think of it." "I don't know that, My Lord," replied Mr. Plunkett. There was a very long pause, and then the Chief Justice said: "Well, if you are going to do anything you had better go on." Mr. Plunkett asked for a few moments to consult with the deputy attorney-general. The Chief Justice adjourned the court for a quarter of an hour, and on his return Mr. Plunkett announced that the crown had decided to withdraw the charge. "I think," said His Lordship, "that the crown is acting very wisely. So far as I can see, the only offence against this man is that he is a Chinaman. I have no doubt if he could have been a white man, he would have been able to set up the doctrine of vis major. The Chinaman can go." Mr. Taylor rose and asked that the costs of the case be allowed for the prisoner. He contended that in a case of this kind the costs might be put upon the private

prosecutor, and adjusted on the County court scale. The Chief Justice said that since the application was made on those grounds he would grant the order.

The police commissioners at their last meeting took up the question of salaries, dealing with each man separately. It was decided that the chief should be granted an increase of \$100 per year. It was decided that Police Court Clerk McIntosh should be made a sergeant, at the same time continuing his duties as clerk to the court and board. His salary will be increased to \$100 per month. He at present receives \$75. The three desk clerks will receive \$70 per month, and be selected from the present force.

The salary of the two sergeants and also the detective sergeant, will be \$1,000 each per year, an increase of \$40 per year. The detectives will be advanced to \$80 per month, an increase of \$10. Regarding the patrolmen, the commissioners decided that they would shortly formulate a scheme to divide them into three classes. Third-class men, the recruits, would receive \$60 per month; second-class men, with one to three years' service, would, on the recommendation of the chief, receive \$75. This plan will, however, not be adopted till next year.

The visits here of William Cross, assistant to William Whyte, second vice-president and Western manager of the C. P. R., with headquarters at Winnipeg, and Max Toltz, mechanical engineer of the C. P. R. and inventor of the Toltz system of lighting railway coaches by acetylene gas are important. While in Vancouver, Mr. Toltz said, "I will inspect the plant which is being installed in connection with the C. P. R. shops here, and which is now nearing completion. This plant is for equipping the railway passenger coaches with acetylene gas for lighting, and will have a capacity of 75 or 80 cars per day. This, of course, will not be used to the utmost, as this plant is installed more for an emergency. This will be the fourth put in by the railway company, the others being located at Winnipeg, Toronto and Montreal. It is the intention of the company to equip about 200 of the cars as rapidly as possible, and in about a year the company will have 500 burning acetylene gas."

Rev. Dr. N. Mossesohn has arrived from Portland, Or., to act as rabbi of the Temple Emanuel of this city. After making arrangements for his residence here he will return to Portland to bring Mrs. Mossesohn to Vancouver. Dr. Mossesohn is editor of the Jewish Tribune, of Portland, and is one of the most prominent Jewish divines on the Pacific Coast. He is a well known linguist and linguist, being a graduate of several universities and rabbinical seminaries, both in Europe and America, among them the University of St. Petersburg, the University of Odessa and the University of Oregon.

IS THE RACE GOING BACK?

Are Canadians Not So Strong and Vigorous as Their Fathers?—Bad Stomachs to Blame—Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets the Remedy.

Is the race deteriorating? Are men, and women, too, not as strong and vigorous as the pioneers who carved Canada out of the forest. General observation and medical expert opinion both tend to those conclusions.

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CENSUS OF INDIA.

Population of India Has Just Been Numbered—Hard Job For Enumerators.

With great difficulties and no small danger a census of the Indian Empire has just been completed. The operations embraced for the first time the Bhil country in Rajputana and the scattered island settlements of the wild Nicobar and Andamanese, and also the outlying tracts on the confines of Burma, the Punjab and Kashmir. The area covered extends from the Persian frontier to the borders of China; from the snow passes of Tibet to the tropical forests where Burma touches Siam.

Many difficulties were encountered, especially in Rajputana. The strongest argument with the natives was the threat that in the next famine no good would happen to those who were not enumerated. The census takers were severely attacked by the south Andamans. The enumeration has brought to light the hitherto unknown tribe of Tabo of the north Andamans.

The population of the entire empire is 294,361,050, of which 231,890,507 are in British territory, showing that native India, while embracing more than one-third of the empire's area, supports considerably less than one-quarter of the population.

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BRIDGES CARRIED AWAY.
 Great Damage by the Ice in the Richelieu River, Quebec.

(Associated Press.)
 Chambly, Que., April 2.—An ice shove carried away the two bridges spanning the Richelieu river at this point this morning. The first to go was the bridge on the Waterloo branch of the Central Vermont railway. It went out at 7 o'clock, just 5 minutes after the St. Cecaire local had passed over in safety. Two hundred feet below the railway bridge stood the fine steel highway bridge erected several years ago by the Mercer government. Five spans of the seven followed the railway bridge down the river, lodging against the big dam of the Montreal Light, Heat & Power Co. There were fears that this would be carried away once more. But the costly improvements made during last summer demonstrated their value, and the dam still stands, though the danger is not yet over, for there still remains a large quantity of ice to pass down. Men have been working all day in an effort to protect it. Should the dam go out, the loss would run well over a million dollars.

BOUNDARY MINES.
 Shipments for Week Amounted to Over Sixteen Thousand Tons.

(Special to the Times.)
 Phoenix, B. C., April 2.—On account of putting in some new machinery the Oro Denoro did not ship ore all this week as usual, but the other shipping mines of the Boundary sent out the usual amount as follows: Granby Mines, to Granby smelter, 11,850 tons; Mother Lode, to Greenwood smelter, 4,224 tons; Emma, to Greenwood smelter, Nelson and Trail smelters, 405 tons; Oro Denoro, to Granby smelter, 533 tons; total shipments for the week, 16,992 tons; total for the year to date, 217,154 tons.

During the current week the Granby smelter treated 12,450 tons of ore, making a total of 106,414 tons treated in 1904 to date.

MORE SETTLERS.
 Over Fifteen Hundred Immigrants Arrived at Halifax on Good Friday.

(Associated Press.)
 Halifax, April 2.—The Allan liner Bavarian arrived here last night with over 1,500 passengers, principally settlers for Western Canada.

At Winnipeg.
 Winnipeg, April 2.—Over two thousand immigrants reached the city on Good Friday on five special and regular trains. The majority are English speaking.

DIED FROM NATURAL CAUSES.
 (Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, April 2.—The verdict in the Regina double tragedy is that the Norris brothers died from natural causes, one of pneumonia and the other of inflammation of the bowels. The poison on the table was for wheat and was untouched.

THE JAPANESE NAVY.
 A Canadian, Sir Archibald Douglas, Had Work of Organization in Hand.

The history of the Japanese navy forces fewer years than that of any other naval power in the world. Within living memory she had no ships beyond the old square-sailed junk, the secret of the design of which had been learnt from the Dutch, those one-time masters of the lore of seamanship. Her progress in material was fast, but she was wise in her procedure. She realized that training for her officers and men was of infinitely more importance than a great array of modern ships, and that it was the highest wisdom to educate first a personnel to take care of, and to fight to the best advantage, the fleet which was to be created.

Other nations had gone on an entirely opposite policy and had courted disaster. China had built many powerful ships, but when the day of trial came, it was found that these formidable weapons were of little use because they were in the hands of men who, for the most part, lacked the training requisite in a naval sailor. Italy learnt the lesson after Lissa, and other countries have paid a great price for this knowledge. Therefore, Japan showed no undue haste in filling her harbors with modern ships, and, as late as the war with China, had no armored men-of-war of any account; yet she beat China.

The birth of the Japanese fleet may be said to date from 1872, when the present Vice-Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas, the first Canadian officer to rise to high rank in the British navy, was selected to proceed to Japan in command of a naval mission which was organized at the request of the Japanese government. The new nation went to France and Germany for tuition in the science of warfare on land, but turned to the supreme naval power of the world for advisers in the creation of its fleet. At that time Sir Archibald Douglas held the rank of commander, and was recognized by the British naval authorities as one of the most talented officers of the fleet.

It was this young commander, typical of the new school of naval officers, which mechanical research, as applied to naval warfare, was causing to come to the front, who was chosen to go to Japan and lay the foundations of the modern fleet of that country.

Another officer who had a part in this work in Japan is Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson, V. C., while as late as the eve of the war with China Admiral James Ingles remained in Japan as adviser of the Japanese government in the development of the fleet.

No one who is familiar with the Japanese personnel to-day doubts that while it retains all the sterling qualities that distinguished it at the time of the war with China, it has reached a higher plane in technical efficiency. The fleet has in all two admirals, nine vice-admirals, twenty-

five rear-admirals, sixty-five captains, 119 commanders, 167 lieutenant-commanders, 230 lieutenants, and 305 sub-lieutenants. The engineering, medical, and other officers, and 31,688 seamen ratings of different grades, bring up the total of the fleet to 35,353 men.—Archibald S. Hurd, in Cassier's Magazine.

THE FOOTBALL JUGGERNAUT.

In the south, unless we happen to live at Woolwich or Millwall, at Tottenham or Southampton, we have not the faintest idea of the power and influence of the Football Juggernaut. So writes H. F. Abel, in an article in Macmillan's Magazine, discussing the moral, physical, and commercial evils associated with "The Football Fever." We may know from acquaintance with University men and schoolboys what an enthusiast for games means, but we are as yet strangers to a world in which almost every man and boy on at least one day of the week has no care but for the result of a particular football match, in which the ragged man or woman knows every technicality of the game, and is far better acquainted with the kings of the football world than with the kings of England, in which the most important business affairs are hurried through or postponed for the sake of a great game, and in which it is no uncommon occurrence for the men of a large business concern to strike work and go off to the field of play.

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REID—At St. Joseph's hospital, on April 1st, 1904, Arthur Nelson Reid, dearly beloved brother of Mrs. H. A. Goward and son of Joseph Reid, a native of Edina, Missouri, U. S. A., aged 23 years.

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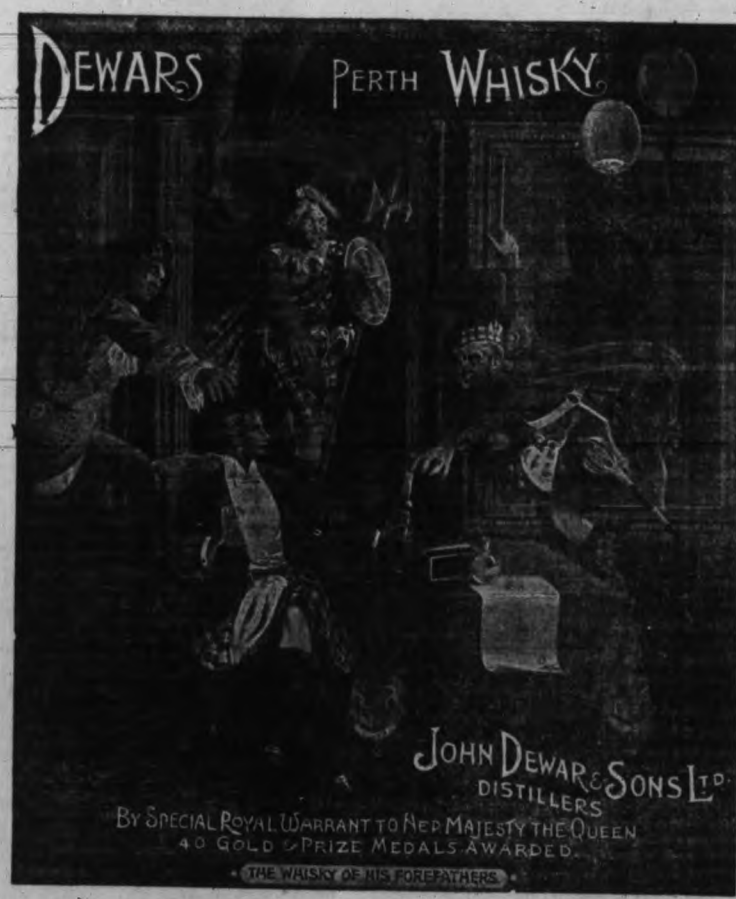
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Land Commissioner

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Victoria, B. C., March 5th, 1904.

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The Children's Corner



No. XXIII.

SCENES FROM CANADIAN HISTORY.

The Indians are grouped around the martyr, who stands at the stake undisturbed. One of them puts the string of red hot hatchets about his neck, his brother missionary struggling vainly to come to his rescue.

Answer to last week's scene: Missionary.

SLEEP AND SHEEP.

As soon as the fire burns red and low,
And the house upstairs is still,
She sings me a queer little sleepy song—
Of sheep that go over the hill.

The good little sheep run quick and soft,
Their colors are grey and white;
They follow their leader, nose to tail,
For they must be home by night.

And one slips over, and one comes next,
And one runs after behind,
The grey one's nose at the white one's tail,
The top of the hill they find.

And when they get to the top of the hill
They quietly slip away;
But one runs over, and one comes next—
Their colors are white and grey.

And over they go, and over they go,
And over the top of the hill;
The good little sheep run quick and soft,
And the house upstairs is still.

And one slips over, and one comes next
The good little, grey little sheep,
I watch how the fire burns red and low,
And she says that I fall asleep.

—Josephine Dashi.

THE DESERT ISLAND.

Once upon a time a sailor was shipwrecked on the coast of a desert island. At first, as he had lost his hat and shoes as well as his socks and coat, he felt quite uncomfortable. In time, however, he grew used to doing without these things, and he also found that by not walking too near the edge of the sea the crabs would leave off nipping his toes. As at first they had been accustomed to do every time he walked on the sands. Happily, too, he was lucky enough to find some nuts, upon which he was able to live quite comfortably. He had chestnuts for breakfast, with walnuts at dinner time, and a nice fresh coconut for his tea. When he drank the milk from this he tried to imagine himself back in Old England as a little boy, when every day his mother had been accustomed to give him a draught of nice cow's milk. When he thought about these things the sailor felt very much inclined to cry. As, however, he was a brave man he always stopped himself in time.

He lived this kind of life for a year, by the end of which time his beard and hair had grown so long that he looked more like a wild man of the woods than anything else. One day he was walking along the shore when he saw what he thought to be a piece of thick string floating upon the top of the water.

"This will be very useful to me," quoth the sailor to himself, walking into the sea and clutching the string with both hands. He tried to pull it towards him, and as it seemed hard to haul in he commenced to tug with all his might. As he did so he heard a yell of pain, and then, to his surprise, a Chinaman's head came bobbing up to the surface, and then the sailor knew that all this time he had been pulling at the poor fellow's pigtail.

"What for did you pull my tail?" Then the sailor explained how it happened, and it appeared that the Chinaman also had been living on the island for some time. They both thought it very funny that they had never met before and there and then made up their minds to be good friends so long as they should remain on the island.

"But why were you diving in that way?" asked the sailor, who was very curious to know.

"Me go in water to find beautiful pearls," said his new chum. The Chinaman then led him to a hollow tree, in which he kept a handkerchief which was crumpled of lovely jewels. When he saw these the sailor's eyes glistened, and he said:

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Hardup—I tried to sell those diamonds I bought of you, and was told they were not genuine. Jeweller—Did you sell them? Hardup—Yes, for almost nothing. Jeweller—Well, you go back and try to buy them, and you will find out that they are genuine. —E.

THE LITTLE PIONEER'S RIDE.

(Anna E. Treat, in Little Folks.)

"Whoa, Buck! Whoa, Bright!" called out Stephen Harris, pioneer, and the glossy red oxen halted in the forest opening. "This shall be our dinner camp to-day," said he. "See what a fine spot!"

The pair of stalwart lads, with rifle on their shoulders, who had been walking all the forenoon beside the big covered wagon, though it was truly a fine spot and began to make camp for dinner, unyoking the oxen and turning them out to graze, kindling a fire with dry twigs and moss and fetching water from the clear brook that rippled by.

Merrily children of all ages began to climb down from the wagon. There were ten of the healthy children. The youngest, Martha, was a little yellow-haired girl of three, the pet and pride of them all. They were overjoyed at the prospect of running about and stretching their cramped limbs and the forest echoed to their joyful voices. Last alighted the mother, under whose good management a dinner was soon ready.

Every day the camp dinner was like a picnic to this family, who had been thirty days on their way from Connecticut to "the Ohio," where they hoped to find a fine farm and a good home.

The wagon, which had been their traveling house for a month, was well fitted up for comfort. The seats were built along the sides and so contrived as to look back at night. Then the bedding, tightly rolled up by day, was spread out on the wagon bottom. The cooking utensils were hung up on the sides and a roomy box nailed at the end held the other useful articles. All of the cups, plates and spoons were of bright, unbreakable tin. Under the wagon swung the large copper kettle, the most important of all things in the household of those early times.

After dinner the bright tin dishes were washed in the brook and the fire very carefully "put out." But the travelers still lingered under the trees, so restful and lovely seemed the cool green spot. At length Mr. Harris said that the sun was fast travelling westward and that they must be doing this same.

So the oxen were yoked up, and in great spirits the pioneers scribbled to their places in the wagon and the oxen started at a good pace; and they had gone a mile or two before the fearful discovery was made that little Martha was missing! It seems impossible that they should not have known at once that she was not with them—but so it was—not one of them had missed her!

The patient oxen were turned about, and as fast as possible the distracted family travelled back to the dinner camp, Mr. Harris and the big brothers calling, as they went, the name of the darling child.

The camp was finally reached; but little Martha was not there and no trace of her could be found.

The forest had seemed so peaceful an hour before, but now it was full of terrors. What wild animals might lurk in the thickets! The very brook seemed to murmur of dangers—quicksands and treacherous water holes.

"Baby O baby!" called Mr. Harris, suddenly, breaking into a sharp cry, and this time in the anxious waiting pause of silence, a shrill little voice from right under the wagon piped out: "Here I am!" and over the rim of the great copper kettle peeped Martha's golden head. Scrambling out, "head-over-heels," she rushed into her mother's arms, as fresh and rosy from her moon after-dinner nap as though she had been rocked in the downiest cradle in the land.

There were praises and thanksgiving, there were laughter and tears, and the forest echoed with the shouts of the boys, who could not otherwise express the joy and relief of their hearts. Then they climbed into the big wagon again and this time each one made sure that little Martha was not missing.

In after years the energy and family thrift of the Harris family brought them great prosperity. Broad acres and fruitful orchards and a beautiful home became theirs, but their most prized possession was the big copper kettle in which little pioneer Martha took her after-dinner ride.

and told him that all was going well, and the sales were enormous.

On the strength of his statements the elephant bought a hundred bottles, and started to try them on his friends.

So he sold a lot of them, but there began to be complaints among the buyers.

One old elephant (who had been in a circus and knew something) said that it was a fraud, and threatened to bring an action.

So, of course, the elephant who had sold him the stuff told him that the King of the Monkeys was responsible, and referred him to this august potentate.

So the elephant wrote him a lawyer's letter:

"Sir—Unless my hair grows in three days I shall bring an action against you for damages."

The King of the Monkeys, on hearing this, immediately ate the whole of his court, and prepared for the worst.

And the worst—which was the elephant—came.

He took the King up in his trunk and shook him so hard that he could hardly see.

And before the King knew where he was the elephant had shaken a promise out of him that he would make his hair grow, or be eaten.

So the King and the Prime Minister, who was the only member of the court left, tried all they could to make the elephant's hair grow. They soaped him, and lathered him, and sponged him, and at last they rolled him with the garden roller which was left behind by Robinson Crusoe, but it was no use—so at last the elephant, who had been getting very hungry, ate them all up. And after that there was no monkey king and no monkey court, and the monkeys have been a republic ever since, without even having a president.

Jetsam, Jokes and Jingles

Dick—Sir Thomas Lipton says he has crossed the ocean so often that he can recognize the waves.

Daisy—I wonder how he does it?

Dick—By their crests, I guess.

She—Did father say anything about your being too young?

He—Well, yes; but he said that I'd age pretty rapidly after we were married and I had to pay your bills.—Pick-Me-Up.

A man went into a hotel and left his umbrella in the stand, with a card bearing this inscription attached to it:

"This umbrella belongs to a man who can deal a blow of 250 pounds' weight. I will be back in ten minutes."

On returning to seek his property he found in its place a card thus inscribed:

"This card was used by a man who can run twelve miles an hour. I shall not return."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"I've just learned a new charm to tell whether or not a man loves you," says the girl with the bulging pompadour.

"What is it?" asks the girl with the new diamond ring.

"Why, you take four or five apple seeds and name each of them of a particular man, and place them—the apple seeds, I mean—on the stove, and the first one that pops is the one that loves you."

"Humph!" mused the girl with the new diamond ring, absent-mindedly twisting that piece of jewellery about her finger. "I know a surer way than that."

"You do?"

"Yes, indeed. You take one particular man and place him on the sofa in the parlor, and sit close to him, with the light a little low, and look up to him very attentively, and if doesn't pop you know it's time to put another man on the sofa."

Judge.

Mr. Jones—I think I'm going to have appendicitis. Mrs. Jones—Oh, you do? Well, I think I'm going to have a new hat, and your appendicitis can wait.—Judge.

"When you state in Indian' fault," said Uncle Eben, "you want to stop an' remember that you're takin' up a job dat's mighty liable to never git finished."—Washington Star.

The late Edwin Lord-Weeks, painter and illustrator, had always a great dislike for dogs. It was amusing, his friends say, to hear him harangue against dogs, and innumerable were the scores reflecting upon canines in an unfavorable light which Mr. Weeks had on the tip of his tongue.

"I dined last night," he said one day, "with Blank. After dinner Blank and I went into the library to look over some John Leech prints. Blank was talking lewdly about Leech, when he heard his wife in the next room say:

"Where is my guardian angel?"

"Here I am, dear," Blank called.

"But his wife retorted: 'I mean Fido.'"

—Boston Post.

An Appeal.—The Owner—See here! That trunk never did you any harm, did it? The Porter—Any harm? Of course not! The Owner—Well, then, don't treat it as if it did!—Brooklyn Life.

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Boston Hospitality.—Johnny—"Pa, what is tact?" Wise Pa—"Tact, Johnny, is knowing how to do things without appearing to be doing them. For instance, I asked Mr. Aridman to dinner this evening and incidentally remarked that your mother would entertain us on the piano. Mr. Aridman said he was so sorry he couldn't come."—Boston Transcript.

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